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Residents vote in new ADU language to bylaw

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — **Articles 26 and 29** at the May 3 annual Town Meeting introduced changes to the town's zoning bylaw prepared as a result of a new state law regarding accessory dwelling units.

Article 26 proposed that the town amend the zoning bylaw by creating a new section on accessory dwelling units, allowing one attached or detached unit as of right on a residential lot with certain requirements. Instead of the maximum size of 950 square feet as printed in the warrant booklet, the motion made on the floor was for a maximum size of 1,250 square feet.

This new size maximum was also specified in the proposed definition of an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) as a self-contained housing unit on the same lot as a principal dwelling with a separate entrance.

Town Moderator Jonathan Eaton provided that the Finance Committee recommended disapproval and the Planning Board recommended approval of the article as printed.

However, Finance Committee member Theresa Manganelli mentioned that the Finance Committee hadn't voted on the amendment, that one of their major concerns at the time of their vote was the 950 square foot size limit, and the new square footage maximum was something that she could now support.

Director of Planning and Conservation Valerie Gingrich described that an ADU is a self-contained housing unit accessory to the principal dwelling, sometimes referred to as an in-law apartment. She explained that the Affordable Homes Act standardized accessory dwelling units across the state and allowed them in every town as of right since February of this year.

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Residents approve use of funds for capital budget

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — On Saturday, May 3, residents voted in favor of the use and appropriation of town funds for various capital items through several warrant articles at Town Meeting.

Town Manager Eric Slagle explained in his budget presentation the reason behind some of the increase for next year. Regarding the capital stabilization transfer of $3 million compared to $1 million last year, he said that this would help to create a range of options and lower the tax impact on residents as the town approaches financing for the new elementary school. Moving this money in will put the capital stabilization fund at $16 million.

He also shared that they had a smaller capital budget the previous year as temporary Town Manager Lou Cimaglia was asked to put off larger projects. The total amount for the capital items in article six alone was $11,047,555, which was over $8 million more than the year before. Slagle said that this increase was driven by three or four very large projects.

The $11 million plus amount was proposed to be gathered from combining $6,079,000 in free cash; $2,750,000 from overlay surplus; and $2,218,555 from appropriation.

In addition to setting aside $3.5 million for the North Wilmington fire substation, some of the major projects proposed in this budget included $2.75 million for new windows at the West Intermediate School; a $950,000 pumper for the fire department; and the high school turf replacement in the amount of $825,000.

Also listed and approved were a heavy duty dump truck and replacement plow, shared storage replacement, police cruisers, town hall oil tank removal,

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Residents agree to zoning, bylaw changes

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Residents voted in favor of three warrant articles proposing changes to the town's zoning bylaw and inhabitant bylaws at the annual Town Meeting on Saturday, May 3.

Article 27 sought to amend the zoning bylaw by replacing the entire flood plain district section with new language. Town Moderator Jonathan Eaton provided that both the Finance Committee and Planning Board recommended approval of this article.

Director of Planning and Conservation Valerie Gingrich shared that the town needed to have a compliant bylaw to allow residents to be granted flood insurance in the flood

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▲ Pictured from left to right are Terry McDermott's family: husband Tom, McDermott herself and daughters Vicky and Elizabeth.

McDermott named this year's 'GOOD GUY'

By HEATHER BURNS
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — On Friday, May 9, 2025, Wilmington resident Terry McDermott was named the 2025 Wilmington Good Guy.

Each year the Wilmington Good Guy Committee recognizes an individual who has shown outstanding community involvement in charitable activities and displays a willingness to help others in need.

The Good Guy Committee is composed of previous Good Guy Award recipients who select a winner based on nominations made by other town residents that acknowledge the contributions of individual candidates.

McDermott has been a resident of the Town of Wilmington for 33 years, and has served her community in multiple roles over the years.

Having always loved libraries, McDermott jumped at a chance in 1997 when she, and several other frequent library patrons, were asked to create a volunteer group, known as the Friends of the Library.

This volunteer group was supported by the Library Director of that time, Tina Stewart.

McDemott started as a member, then became Recording Secretary, and later became Publicity Chair.

She played a key role in enhancing the library's local historical digital archives, and creating tour booklets for the Friends House Tour program.

"I was always a fan of history, and the more I learned, the more and more I became fascinated with Wilmington's past," said McDermott.

Stewart noticed McDermott's interest in Wilmington's history and encouraged her to serve on the Historical Commission, and she soon became the Museum Curator.

She served as Museum Curator for 17 years until she retired in 2021, only to return as interim curator when the position was vacant.

During her time as Museum Curator, she served the community in several other positions, as well.

McDermott served as Wilmington's town coordinator for the Destination Imagination program, served the library in multiple fundraising and volunteer capacities, and as an active member of the Sarah Carter Committee.

She regularly volunteers at the St. Thomas Church, and has participated in book clubs and town-wide volunteer efforts over the years.

Somehow, she also found time to continue her education.

After earning her Associates Degree in the 1980's, McDermott soon married and had children, and became too busy with family and work to continue her education.

But in 2018, after her children were finishing their college education, she decided to return to school herself, and completed her course work to earn a Bachelor's Degree in Liberal Arts with a concentration in English and History from UMass Lowell in 2020.

After retiring from the Museum in 2021, McDermott continued with her passion to serve the community by becoming a member of the Friends EBoard.

In 2023, she was elected President of the EBoard, and continues today to serve the Town of Wilmington in many ways.

As tradition dictates, the results of the Good Guy Committee are always kept "top secret" until the announcement at the ceremony.

In order to get McDermott to the award ceremony without being suspicious, she was told that the ceremony was a party in honor of the Chair of the Historical Commission, Bonnie Smith.

McDermott worked with Smith for many years, and knew of Smith's hard work and accomplishments, so the "story"

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Residents suggest Historical Committee article needs work

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — At the May 3 annual Town Meeting, a warrant article submitted by the town's Historical Commission proposed the introduction of a demolition delay into the inhabitant bylaws.

Town Moderator Jonathan Eaton referenced that the Finance Committee had recommended disapproval of this article.

Historical Commission member Joe Jackson explained that the town has seen many historic homes lost because there are no demolition restrictions in town. The proposed demolition delay would require due diligence to be completed before a historic building is leveled to the ground.

Jackson described that this would not place a tax impact or a deed restriction on the owner, but only a period of protection to prevent an otherwise healthy house from being taken down to rebuild. A developer would need to make a good faith effort to find someone who may be willing to purchase and preserve the home.

The process to be created by the potential bylaw language would be a public meeting with the Historical Commission after the property owner of a home on the historic home inventory applies for a demolition permit to determine if the home is historically significant. If so, then the demolition plan would be reviewed by the Historical Commission, and a delay of up to 12 months could be established.

Jackson mentioned that the town has over 120 homes on an official historic homes list that are unique and non-replaceable. He went on to say that buildings of character increase the allure of the town, provide an educational experience, and benefit the economy and the environment.

Jackson stated that a home could be added to the list if it is over 100 years old and has some distinct feature or architecture, culture, politics, economics, or similar criteria. He described that the town has lost 21 historical houses and currently four historic buildings are being threatened by demolition due to change of ownership.

He said that there are only 18 colonial homes left in Wilmington. He suggested that with no restriction against demolishing historic homes, the town becomes an easy target.

The Historical Commission member described that all the town's neighboring communities have bylaws to protect community efforts. The proposed language was modeled after the bylaws of Andover, Billerica, Burlington, and Tewksbury. He suggested that these communities were doing more than Wilmington is to maintain their character.

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Wilmington Library News:

Don't miss the Wilmington Community Playgroup on May 19

Adult Programs

Drop-in Tech Help
Tuesday, May 20, 2 p.m.
Wednesday, May 21, 2 p.m.
Thursday, May 22, 2 p.m.
Have a tech question that's been bugging you? Stop by Drop-in Tech Help.

Bookends Book Group
Monday, May 19, 10 a.m.
This book group discusses contemporary books, both fiction and non-fiction, led by Library Associate Rebecca Lowe. Please stop by the library to pick up a copy of the featured book. This month's featured book is Wifedom: Mrs. Orwell's Invisible Life by Anna Funder.

Needleworkers at Night
Monday, May 19, 6-8 p.m.
These nighttime sessions are perfect for anyone who does any kind of needle craft but can't make it to Needleworkers during the day! Drop-in.

Container Garden Workshop
Tuesday, May 20, 3 p.m.
Join Master Flower Show Judge Kathy Leva for an outdoor container garden workshop. Bring your garden gloves and small garden shovel if you have them!

Wellness Wednesday with the Yoga Loft
Wednesday, May 21, 3 p.m.
Instructors from the Yoga Loft will help you destress on Wednesday afternoons throughout the month of May. Join us for gentle yoga with elements of meditation. Please bring your yoga mat.

Needleworkers
Friday, May 23, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
This is a social group for those who do any kind of needle craft. Bring your knitting, crocheting, quilting, etc. and enjoy conversation and camaraderie. Drop-in.

Youth Programs

Wilmington Community Playgroup
Monday, May 19, 10 a.m.
Join Community Teamwork Family Resource Network for a community playgroup where we'll work on Early Literacy skills and much, much more! Ask CTI about any resources they can help provide for you and your family. Ages 0-6, siblings welcome

Graphic Novel Book Club
Monday, May 19, 6 p.m.
Graphic novel readers unite! Join our book club to discuss our book of the month, eat snacks, and vote on the next selection. This month's graphic novel is: Gamerville by Johnnie Christmas. Grades 3-5

Preschool Storytime
Tuesday, May 20, 10 a.m.
Join us at Preschool Storytime! This program includes books, rhymes, music and movement for children ages 3-6! Ages 3-6

Time for Twos
Wednesday, May 21, 10 a.m.
Time for Twos includes books, rhymes, music and movement for children aged 2! Age 2

Family Craft Night: Mindfulness Crafts
Wednesday, May 21, 6 p.m.
In celebration of Mental Health Awareness month, this month's family craft night will be all about calming, mindfulness crafts! Ages 3+

Baby Time
Thursday, May 22, 10 a.m.
Join us at our Baby Time! This program includes books, rhymes, music and movement. Ages 0-23 months

Teen Leadership Council
Thursday, May 22, 3 p.m.
Are you interested in advocating for what you want at WML? Have you volunteered before, but want to commit to more? Join our Teen Leadership Council! Grades 7-12

Read to Stormy
Thursday, May 22, 4 - 5:30 p.m. (15-minute sessions)
Come practice your reading skills with Therapy Dog, Stormy! Sign-up for one 15-minute session per child or family. Grades K-6

Sensory Discovery for Teens
Friday, May 23, 10:30 a.m.
Sensory Discovery is designed as an enrichment activity with fun games and crafts for neurodiverse teens! Ages 14-18

Additional Information

Don't Miss Out on the 2025 Town Wide Yard Sale!
Don't be left out! In the past, over 60 Wilmington households have participated each year and hundreds of shoppers found bargains at the annual Town Wide Yard Sale. This year's sale is Saturday, June 14th from 8am-2pm. Applications are open May 1 - 21, and the seller fee is $20. Applications now available.

Check Out Our Library of Things This Summer
Did you know Wilmington Memorial Library circulates more than just books? Check out our Adult, Teen and Youth Library of Things for fun and useful items to use this summer. Items include: a pickleball set, disc gold, lawn games, volleyball and badminton, a tent and much more! See what's available at *https://wilmlibrary.org/lot/*.

Book Store Next Door
Regular hours are back at The Book Store Next Door! The bookstore is open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Museum Passes
The library has discounted passes to your favorite Massachusetts museums, attractions, and state parks. Find the full list by visiting *www.wilmlibrary.org/services/mp*.

WML In-Person & Virtual Programming
Registration is required for most in-person programs and is required for all virtual programs, as you will need to register in order to receive the Zoom link. You can register on our website at *www.wilmlibrary.org* or by calling (978) 658-2967.

▲ Join CTI for a community playgroup on Monday, May 19 where we'll work on Early Literacy skills and much, much more! (Courtesy photo)

Residents want article edited for future vote

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ed that she could support this article and that the town's old buildings are beautiful.

"I don't think asking to preserve some of our history is a bad thing," she said.

Paul Melaroni asked about the criteria that determines whether a 100-year-old home is historic.

Jackson described that it could be architectural renderings, significant people in town living there or significant events that took place there. He said that any declarations would be recorded in the historic homes inventory and brought up in the Historical Commission hearing.

Melaroni then asked how the owner would be notified of their home being listed on the inventory and on whom the restriction would apply if a home was sold. Jackson said that the due diligence would be done by the builder.

Megan Jones shared her support for the article, as it would help to maintain the look and the integrity of the town.

Stephen Turner commented that he preferred a delay over a deed restriction. He said he could support the article as it was well-crafted and aligned well with other towns.

"My house is 90 years old — I hope to get it to 100 — and I hope it'd be viewed that way," he continued.

Kerry Philips said that she had concerns with the draft language being too broad and administratively burdensome. She proposed that the Historical Commission rework the language and bring it back to Town Meeting next year.

Gary DePalma shared his opinion that the delay was too long and therefore unfair to the homeowner. Lilia Maselli shared the same sentiment.

Jackson suggested that homeowners would discover the age of their home and whether it was historic during the purchase. He also shared that the Historical Commission had spoken with towns who had six-month delays and received feedback that the delay was too short.

Theresa Manganelli asked how much time would pass between applying and receiving the demolition permit even if a home was not historically significant. Jackson suggested that the Historic Commission's signoff could be quick after the building was deemed insignificant.

Marianne Gallezzo shared that she'd prefer if the article didn't include any building or structure within 200 feet of the historic district.

The article failed by voice vote, but multiple residents suggested the article be edited and return for a future Town Meeting vote.

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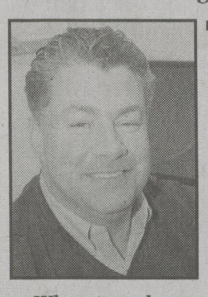
It's Your Money
by Todd Brisbois



TAX CONSIDERATIONS FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE SEPARATING OR DIVORCING

When couples separate or divorce, the change in their relationship status affects their tax situation. The IRS considers a couple married for tax filing purposes until they get a final decree of divorce or separate maintenance.

Update tax withholding

When a taxpayer divorces or separates, they usually need to update their proper tax withholding by filing with their employer a new Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Certificate. If they receive alimony, they may have to make estimated tax payments.

Tax treatment of alimony and separate maintenance

Amounts paid to a spouse or a former spouse under a divorce decree, a separate maintenance decree or a written separation agreement may be alimony or separate maintenance for federal tax purposes. Certain alimony or separate maintenance payments are deductible by the payer spouse, and the recipient spouse must include it in income.

Rules related to dependent children and support

Generally, the parent with custody of a child can claim that child on their tax return. If parents split custody fifty-fifty and aren't filing a joint return, they'll have to decide which parent claims the child. If the parents can't agree, taxpayers should refer to the tie-breaker rules in Publication 504, Divorced or Separated Individuals. Child support payments aren't deductible by the payer and aren't taxable to the payee.

If a divorce or separation instrument provides for alimony and child support and the payer spouse pays less than the total required, the payments apply to child support first. Only the remaining amount is considered alimony.

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For 4 Maywood Terrace...

Woburn council continues nuisance hearings as Wilmington landlord tries to evict tenant

By PATRICK BLAIS

WOBURN — A Wilmington landlord recently told the City Council that an alleged problem tenant recently refused to vacate a Maywood Terrace residence that has now been subject of a seven-month long public nuisance proceeding.

During the council's regular meeting in City Hall on Tuesday night, Wilmington resident Deborah McLaughlin explained that she is now seeking an eviction order from the court system.

The landlord, who was called before the council last November to respond to a series of neighborhood complaints about the condition of the three-bedroom house by the Kennedy Middle School and a series of alleged nuisance issues being caused by the tenants, had hoped the residents would leave the dwelling voluntarily by the end of last month.

"I filed the eviction paperwork yesterday with the court, so I'm just waiting I guess for a court date," the local homeowner explained.

"So for those who have been following [these proceedings] at home and the neighbors, you told the council about five weeks ago that you had issued an eviction notice and they refused to leave?" asked Ward 5 Councilor Darlene Mercer-Bruen, who initiated the public nuisance proceedings in October of 2024.

"Yes. I spoke to them last Wednesday and they said they aren't leaving and don't have a place to [go]," McLaughlin responded. "I told them they had been [issued a notice to quit] and didn't have a choice. My only other option is to file the paperwork with the court system and go through the process."

In light of that process,

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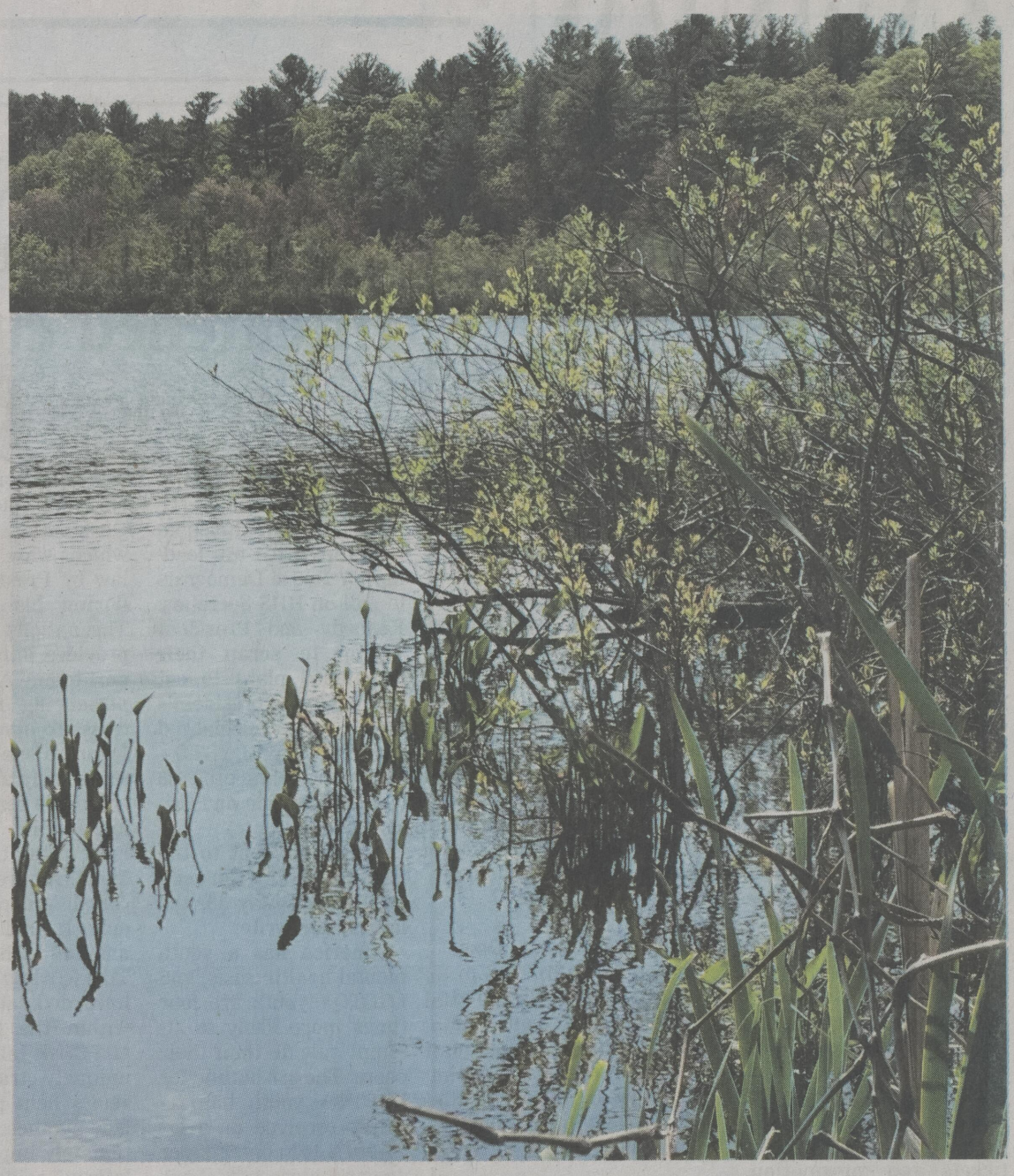

▲► Although unnoticed by most, local wetland areas like those found on the outskirts of Ames Pond in Tewksbury, are vital habitats for many plants and animals. (Heather Burns photos)

CELEBRATE AMERICAN WETLANDS MONTH THIS MAY

By HEATHER BURNS
News Correspondent

As spring in New England begins to offer warmer weather, our attention turns to the great outdoors.

It is only fitting that the month of May also marks the annual observance of American Wetlands Month, a celebration of one of nature's richest ecosystems.

Until recent years, wetlands were thought of as nothing more than useless, unbuildable land that was a waste of space to productive society.

In the last several decades, it has become evident that wetlands offer many significant benefits for fish, wildlife, plants, and humans.

American Wetlands Month was created in 1991 by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to acknowledge the value of wetlands as a natural resource.

According to the EPA, the definition of wetlands is an area where water covers the surface soil, or is present either at or near the surface soil all year long, or for varying periods of time during the year.

Wetlands are found in every area around the world, from tundra to tropics, and in every continent, with the exception of Antarctica.

The type of wetland varies for many reasons, including regional differences in soil, topography, climate, water saturation, water chemistry, vegetation, and human disturbance.

There are generally two types of categories for wetlands: Coastal (or Tidal) Wetlands and Inland (or Non-Tidal) Wetlands. Both of these categories are represented in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Inland Wetlands include marshes, wet meadows, swamps, and wooded swamps.

Coastal Wetlands are commonly found where sea water mixes with freshwater.

Both categories provide a habitat for thousands of species of aquatic and terrestrial plants and animals and are valuable for flood protection, shoreline erosion control, natural products, and water quality.

Information from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service states that one-third of America's threatened and endangered species live only in wetlands.

The Chinook Salmon, American Crocodile and the Hawaiian Stilt are just a few of the threatened or endangered species that live in wetlands.

Wetlands are also important to many migratory bird species that rely on wetlands for a safe resting place, food, nesting, and breeding habitat.

The United States has more than 40 wetlands of international importance, and more than 20 are on the National Wildlife Refuge list.

These sites are known for their unique biology, and are important habitats for wildlife that migrate around the world.

Not only are wetlands important for wildlife survival, but they are equally important for human survival.

The groundwater that humans drink and use is naturally cleaned and purified by wetlands such as bogs, marshes and swamps.

When water enters a wetland, it slows down, allowing heavy sediment to drop and stay on the floor of the wetlands. This, in turn, enhances the water's quality in nearby lakes and rivers.

Wetlands also help mitigate damage from powerful storms and floods by functioning as a natural sponge to trap excess water.

After a weather event, the trapped surface water, rain, snowmelt, and flood waters are then released slowly over time.

Wetlands also serve as buffers during extreme weather events, protecting nearby structures and homes from excessive storm damage.

Surprisingly, wetlands also affect our economy.

According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, both commercial and recreational fishing contribute over $115 billion to the annual U.S. economy.

Wetlands provide nutrients and habitats for many aquatic plants and wildlife, and the fish population would greatly suffer without these provisions.

To celebrate these wetland ecosystem wonders, there are several ways to participate in American Wetlands Month.

Explore a nearby wetland area to experience nature at work for yourself. Be sure to wear protective clothing and always be respectful of plants and wildlife while you explore.

You can also take action by participating in, or donating to, the preservation and restoration of wetlands by volunteering at local, state and federal conservation groups.

The use of your right to vote is another way to contribute.

Recently, regulations to protect our much needed wetlands are now in jeopardy.

On March 13, 2025, the Trump Administration announced plans to roll back protection of vital wetlands.

Removal of these protections will result in reduced water quality and ultimately raise the cost of disaster insurance. The cost of seafood is also likely to go up as this change in protection will greatly affect the healthy fish population.

Voters can use their power in the voting booth to keep protective measures in place, or call their representative in Congress about saving our wetlands.

By taking just a little time to get involved, we can all get to know how wetlands are a productive and valuable part of our landscape, and why they are worthy of our protection.

For more information on how you can help protect wetlands, visit the Environmental Defense Fund at *www.edf.org*.

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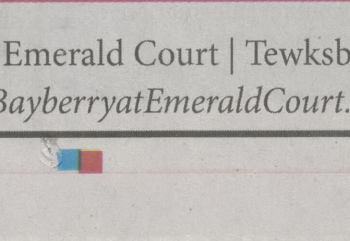
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Upcoming local events

May 16, Tewksbury Silvertones Dance Band, music and dance concert. Tewksbury Senior Center, 7 -10 p.m., doors open at 6:30 p.m., Vocalist BB Braxton, $10 includes coffee, cake and tea. Bring Your Own Munchies

May 17, Tewksbury Garden Club Plant Sale, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Rain or Shine. Grounds of the Tewksbury Public Library. Cash or card. Annuals, perennials, vegetable starts, indoor plants, pollinators.

May 17, Friends of the Library Bake Sale, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Tewksbury Public Library.

May 17, Billerica Smallpox Cemetery walk. Learn about the impact of smallpox in the 1600 and walk along the beautiful Middlesex Canal with guide Marlies Henderson. *Publichealthmuseum.org* for tickets and information. This 3 miles walk starts at 10 a.m. and departs from the Middlesex Canal museum lot.

May 20, Friends of the Library at Mac's Dairy Farm at 1863 Main St. A portion of the proceeds from ice cream sales will be donated to The Friends but you must mention The Friends when you make your purchase to donate.

September 13, 2025 — Wilmington High School Class of 1975 50th reunion, live band, dancing, buffet dinner, cash bar. Pay by April 2 - July 1 — $90, July 2 through last minute walk-ins — $95. Register and pay at: *https://my.cheddarup.com/c/high-school-class-reunion-temp65333/items?cart* Questions? Steve Brander *skbrander@gmail.com* Reunion Organizers: Steve Brander / Vin Scifo / Helen Ryba

Thursdays, Saturdays, and the first Sunday of the month, Public Health Museum, 365 East St., Open for indoor and campus tours. Check website for times. *Publichealthmuseum.org*

Book Store Next Door, **Saturdays**, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The Book Store is staffed by volunteers from the Friends of the Wilmington Public Library. All proceeds support library programs. Next to Wilmington Public Library.

Sundays, Lowell Streetcar Museum, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Adults $3, seniors and youth age 3-12 $2, children under 3 are free. Cash only. 25 Shattuck St., Lowell.

Wilmington Town Museum, **Mondays and Tuesdays**, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Harnden Tavern, 430 Salem St. (Route 62), Wilmington

Middlesex Canal Museum, Saturdays and Sundays, Noon - 4 p.m., 71 Faulkner St., North Billerica

Reps. Moulton, Krishnamoorthi lead Democrats in opposing threatened cuts to 988's specialized services for LGBTQ+ youth

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Reps. Seth Moulton (D-MA) and Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-IL) are leading 107 House Democrats to call on HHS Secretary Kennedy and President Trump to scrap their threatened plans to cut funding in the president's budget for the specialized services for LGBTQ+ youth who contact the 988 National Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.

In a letter sent to the HHS Secretary Kennedy on Tuesday May 13, the lawmakers write:

"America has a youth mental health crisis, and LGBTQ+ youth are four times more likely to attempt suicide than their peers. The 988 hotline for LGBTQ+ youth has recently received an average of 2,100 contacts per day and, since 2022, it has received over 1.3 million calls, text and chats.

"America's mental health crisis affects every community and every family knows someone who has experienced distress. Mental health crises do not recognize partisan differences, and this is why support for 988 and its specialized services has always been firmly bipartisan."

The specialized services 988 offers, particularly for high-risk groups like LGBTQ+ youth and veterans, are critical to saving lives. Any proposal to cut funding in the president's budget and thereby cut off access to this life-saving support for vulnerable young people run counter to the best practices in suicide prevention.

Congressman Moulton was a co-author of the National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020, which was signed into law by President Trump during his first term. This nationwide resource provides immediate support to any American experiencing mental distress. To a young person feeling alone and scared, 988 is truly a lifeline.

"Suicide remains a serious public health concern in the U.S., and we know from research that certain groups have higher risk, including veterans and LGBTQ+ youth. This is why these groups have dedicated services within the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, where uniquely trained counselors help prevent suicide in these disproportionately impacted populations," said Robert Gebbia, CEO of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. "We understand that funding may be eliminated for 988 LGBTQ+ specialized services, and we urge the administration to continue its existing support for crisis services, including those for at-risk LGBTQ+ youth. These crisis response services are effective and save young lives."

"I am deeply grateful to these members of Congress for speaking out and urging the administration to reverse course on their proposal to end life-saving suicide prevention services for LGBTQ+ youth across the U.S. Tailoring suicide prevention services to ensure they're effective for the most at-risk groups should not be political; it is simply clinical best practice. I applaud these lawmakers for their vocal support of these evidence-backed, bipartisan crisis services that have already supported an estimated 1.3 million LGBTQ+ youth and counting," said Jaymes Black, CEO of The Trevor Project.

"988 is about providing hope and saving lives. Tragically, we lose too many young lives to suicide, especially LGBTQ+ young people," said Hannah Wesolowski, Chief Advocacy Officer of the National Alliance on Mental Illness. "We thank these members of Congress for prioritizing resources for people who need them, and for working to maintain these services to provide vital, lifesaving support to our LGBTQ+ community."

The full text of the letter can be found below.

Dear Secretary Kennedy,

President Trump's budget threatens to end specialized services for LGBTQ+ youth who contact 988, the National Suicide and Crisis Lifeline. Ending this mental health support for youth in distress would devastate a vital resource for some of our nation's most vulnerable young people.

This shortsighted and dangerous plan undermines 988's ability to provide tailored support for a population with a higher risk of suicide and will have lethal consequences if enacted. Surely you can agree that every American deserves the resources necessary to prevent suicide and self-injury, regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity.

America has a youth mental health crisis, and LGBTQ+ youth are four times more likely to attempt suicide than their peers. The 988 hotline for LGBTQ+ youth has recently received an average of 2,100 contacts per day and, since 2022, it has received over 1.3 million calls, text and chats. America's mental health crisis affects every community and every family knows someone who has experienced distress. Mental health crises do not recognize partisan differences, and this is why support for 988 and its specialized services has always been firmly bipartisan.

When Congress established the 988 lifeline, signed into law by President Trump during his first term, we intended it to be a resource for any American experiencing mental distress. To a young person feeling alone and scared, 988 is truly a lifeline. The specialized services it is able to provide to individuals with a higher risk of suicidality, such as LGBTQ+ youth and veterans, are especially vital to provide high-risk groups with custom support. Consideration of cutting off this life-saving resource to vulnerable youth and young adults goes against best practices in suicide prevention.

We urge that you scrap this ill-advised plan. Our nation's children deserve nothing less.

Hao, Wilmington High School student, named semifinalist in U.S. Presidential Scholars program

WILMINGTON — **Katherine Hao**, a graduating senior at **Wilmington High School**, has been named one of 621 semifinalists nationwide in the 2025 U.S. Presidential Scholars program.

Hao is an exceptional and dedicated student who has consistently pursued the most challenging coursework, particularly excelling in math, science, and the visual arts. Her academic excellence has earned her numerous honors, including National Honor Society induction, book awards, and WHS academic excellence awards across multiple disciplines.

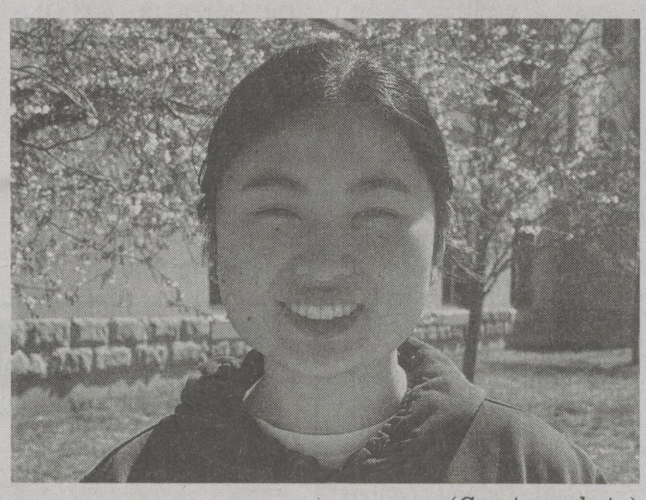
Beyond the classroom, Hao thrives on applying her knowledge through hands-on experiences — she has spent the past two summers conducting DNA barcoding and researching the effects of urban stress on green spaces. Her passion for environmental advocacy is equally strong, as demonstrated by her leadership in school-wide sustainability campaigns.

Hao's leadership and enthusiasm extend throughout the Wilmington High School community. She has served as Class President for four consecutive years and taken on key roles in Student Council, Environmental Club, and the Yearbook, among others. While balancing a demanding academic schedule, part-time work, and a wide array of extracurricular and volunteer activities, she also finds time to pursue her creative and personal interests such as piano, hiking, and photography.

Hao will attend Mount Holyoke College in the fall, where she plans to double major in Biological Sciences and Astronomy, with aspirations of earning a PhD in Astrobiology.

The semifinalists were selected from over 6,000 candidates who were previously selected at the state level. Katherine was 1 of 13 students selected by Acting Commissioner Russell D. Johnston and the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) as the U.S. Presidential Scholar nominees from MA.

Of the 13 MA selections, only four were public high school students; three were Career and Technical Education selections and six were private tuition or exam-based admission high schools.



(Courtesy photo)

Inclusion in the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program, now in its 61st year, is one of the highest honors bestowed upon graduating high school seniors. Scholars are selected on the basis of their accomplishments in many areas — academic and artistic success, accomplishment in career and technical fields, leadership, strong character and involvement in school and the community.

The U.S. Presidential Scholars Program was established in 1964 by Executive Order of the President to recognize some of our nation's most distinguished graduating seniors for their accomplishments in academics, leadership, and service to school and community. It was expanded in 1979 to recognize students demonstrating exceptional scholarship and talent in the visual, creative, and performing arts. In 2015, the program was expanded once again to recognize students who demonstrate ability and accomplishment in career and technical fields.

Annually, up to 161 U.S. Presidential Scholars are chosen from among that year's senior class, representing excellence in education and the promise of greatness in America's youth. Each year Scholars are presented with a Presidential Scholars Medallion.

A distinguished panel of educators have reviewed these submissions and selected the 621 semifinalists. In the coming months, we will complete final selection of the high school seniors who will be named as the 2025 U.S. Presidential Scholars, and the names of those students will be announced by U.S. Secretary of Education Linda McMahon.

For more information about the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program, parents and students can e-mail *PSP@scholarshipamerica.org*.

Book Stew Review

'Lilith' by Eric Rickstad

By EILEEN MACDOUGALL

The opening of this incredibly suspenseful thriller, set within a school shooting, may make some readers put it into their DNF (Did Not Finish) pile, but that would be a mistake.

A single mom and teacher, beset by her son's begging to stay home from school on a practice "Lockdown Monday," reminds him that she has a responsibility to her students. She must then take immediate action when a violent gunman attacks the school, killing young students, some in her son's classroom.

Elisabeth leads her own students to safety and returns to save her son Lydan, who has been gravely wounded. The aftermath becomes a struggle for mother and son to return to normality, and they never really do.

While listening to the disgusting ramblings of an Alex-Jones-like radio host, Elizabeth decides to seek revenge. The rest of the novel is spoilers, with strong secondary character and a few mysteries remaining unsolved. Unforgettable.

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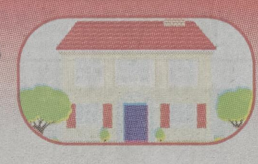

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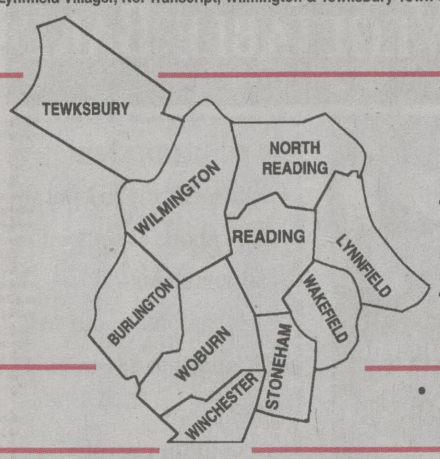

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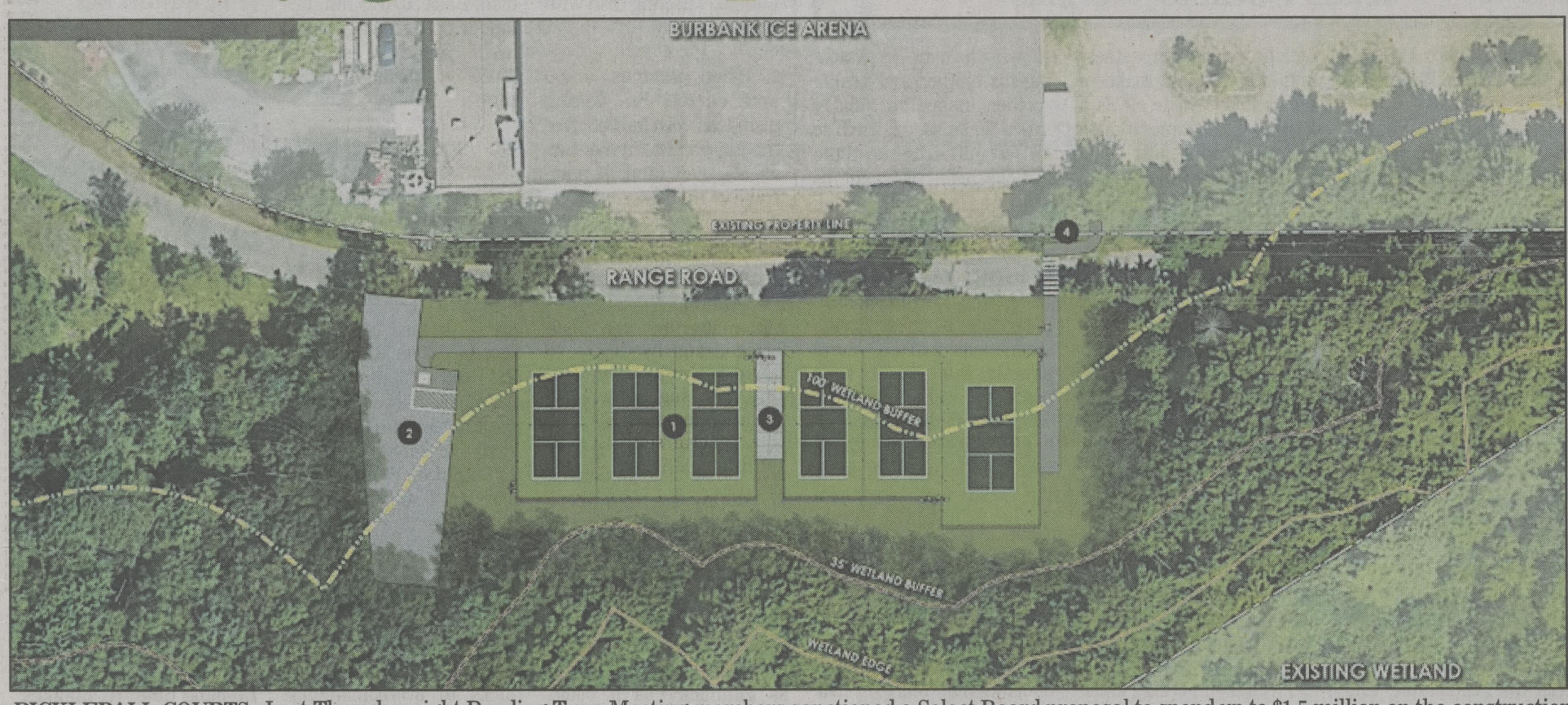
Reading pickleball enthusiasts finally get new place to call home



PICKLEBALL COURTS - Last Thursday night Reading Town Meeting members sanctioned a Select Board proposal to spend up to $1.5 million on the construction of at least six new concrete pickleball courts on a portion of a 15-acre parcel of land off of Symonds Way by the Burbank Ice Arena property. (Courtesy Graphic)

By PATRICK BLAIS

READING - Pickleball afficionados in Reading have volleyed no fewer than five separate proposals to construct more playing courts in town over the past three years only to see those plans furiously racketed back.

Rather than being dissuaded from the cause, the sport enthusiasts have instead continually served up new alternatives.

Last Thursday night, that dogged persistence finally paid off.

In a 102-to-43 vote, Reading Town Meeting members sanctioned a Select Board proposal to spend up to $1.5 million on the construction of at least six new concrete pickleball courts on a portion of a 15-acre parcel of land off of Symonds Way by the Burbank Ice Arena property.

Per the Town Meeting action, the municipality is being authorized to borrow up to $1 million for the undertaking.

The project, which is being partially offset by a $225,000 donation from the non-profit Reading Pickleball Players Association (RPPA) and another $300,000 in capital project funding from the Burbank Ice Arena and recreation department, will likely go out to bid sometime in the fall.

Besides funding the six post-tensioned concrete courts, which will include a fully-accessible playing area, the capital investment will also cover the underground trenching of electrical conduits to light up the recreational space at a future date and the installation of drainage infrastructure. Should bids for the outdoor complex come in lower than expected, the town will also consider adding a seventh court and up to six post-mounted lighting fixtures.

Notably, town officials also hope to construct a brand new intergenerational center on the same parcel of land to replace the community's antiquated senior center off of Pleasant Street

A rough start

Initially, the latest pickleball court proposal appeared to lack widespread support, as many Town Meeting members at the outset of the assembly in late April expressed concerns about the community's long-term financial stability.

Specifically, with voters being also asked to approve funding for a new $130 million elementary school and an estimated $27.9 million intergenerational/senior center, various Town Meeting members contended the $1 million investment into pickleball courts was just too much.

Proponents of the project, who had initially hoped to move the warrant article up in order to debate it at the start of the annual gathering, soon found themselves in a

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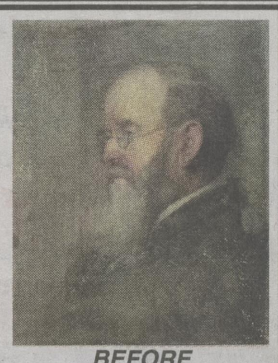
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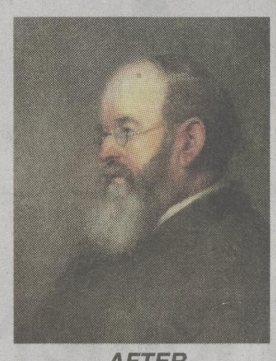
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EVERYBODY LOVES NONNA - The lovable cast includes veteran Italian American actors Lorraine Bracco, Talia Shire, Brenda Vaccaro and also Vince Vaughn in a scene from "Nonnas." (Jeong Park/Netflix via AP)

Movie Reviews & Box Office News

Schmaltzy and sweet, Vince Vaughn leads Netflix's 'Nonnas'

By LINDSEY BAHR
AP Film Writer

The new Vince Vaughn movie "Nonnas" aspires to be a bit of cinematic comfort food. It's based on a heartwarming true story, features a lot of shots of simmering Sunday sauces and touts a lovable cast of veteran Italian American actors in Talia Shire, Lorraine Bracco, Brenda Vaccaro and Susan Sarandon. One would hope that those are the kind of ingredients that would be difficult to mess up too badly.

And "Nonnas," streaming on Netflix Friday, is what it wants to be: A glossy, movie version of the local joint. Nothing's groundbreaking or particularly unexpected, the story beats are predictable, and the music choices and Italian American stereotypes a bit cliché. And yet it's done with an evident earnestness and kindness that makes it impossible to write off. Is it a sign of the times that a bunch of people just being kind to one another is basically enough?

"Nonnas" was directed by Stephen Chbosky ("Perks of Being a Wallflower") working off of a script by Liz Maccie, whom he is married to, and based on the true story of a New Yorker named Joe Scaravella (Vince Vaughn) who starts a Staten Island restaurant with Italian grandmothers as the chefs.

Joe has no business savvy or restaurant knowledge, just an idea after the loss of his own mother and grandmother. He just wants to pay tribute to the way that they always made him feel with their cooking in the kitchen. There's a gauzy, sun soaked flashback to the neighborhood in the 1960s showing a young Joe watching his mother and grandmother make the Sunday sauce that's so idealized, so full of smiles as substitute for character, it might as well be a Prego commercial.

There is an obvious reverence for cultural predecessors like "Moonstruck" and "My Cousin Vinny" baked into "Nonnas," though it can't quite find the natural rhythm that might have made it work better. It whiplashes between big comedic swings (including a food fight between the feuding nonnas) and utter sincerity and it is in no rush to get anywhere fast.

But perhaps the greatest miscalculation is centering the story on Joe instead of the women. The nonnas are met where they are in life — a former nun (Shire), a hair salon owner (Sarandon), a retiree (Bracco) who's estranged from her kids and a widow (Vaccaro) who needs to get out of the house. It seems like there was a missed opportunity to get to know their stories and recipes more. If food is love, give the audience a chance to fall in love with them through their favorite dishes. Instead, they bond not over food or new appreciation of one another's heritage, but a makeover.

Still, it's worth noting that "Nonnas" is not nearly as gimmicky as it could have been. Vaughn is good in a more subdued role — the stereotypes-for-comedy's-sake are left for his friends (Joe Manganiello and Drea de Matteo) to live and die by. A love story with his old prom date (played by Linda Cardellini) feels a little tacked on to everything else, but I suppose is also just another layer to the second chances narrative.

Chbosky and his cinematographer Florian Ballhaus take care to shoot working class Staten Island beautifully, without gimmicks to overromanticize the reality. Even the "before" images of the restaurant have a glint to them, drawing the audience in to see the potential that Joe sees. Be sure to keep watching through the credits for a little real-life coda.

"Nonnas," like comfort food, may be a little obvious, a little safe, but that's the point.

"Nonnas," a Netflix release streaming Friday, is rated PG by the Motion Picture Association for "suggestive material, language and thematic elements." Running time: 111 minutes. Two and a half stars out of four.

HomeNewsHere RECIPE

Mixed Vegetable Bake

VEGGIE POWER - The family will have no trouble eating their vegetables with this quick and easy one-pan vegetable bake.

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 lb medium red potatoes, (about 4), cut into 1/8-inch slices
- 1 large onion, cut in half and into 1/4-inch slices
- 2 medium carrots, peeled, cut into 1/4-inch slices
- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 teaspoons finely chopped garlic
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
- 1 teaspoon dried tarragon leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 medium red bell pepper, cut into 1/4-inch slices
- 1 medium zucchini, cut into 1/4-inch slices

STEPS

1. Heat oven to 400°F. Spray bottom of 13x9-inch (3-quart) baking dish with cooking spray.

2. Place potatoes, onion and carrots in baking dish; toss with half each of the oil, garlic, thyme, tarragon, salt and pepper. Bake 10 minutes.

3. Meanwhile, in medium bowl, toss bell pepper and zucchini with remaining oil and seasonings. Stir into mixture in baking dish. Bake 30 to 35 minutes longer or until vegetables are tender; stirring halfway through bake time.

EXPERT TIP

- This recipe would go great with grilled steak or chicken.

• PICKLEBALL FROM B1

hauntingly familiar place - waiting in-line for a decision until other more pressing priorities could be debated.

Days later, during the second evening of Town Meeting deliberations at Reading Memorial High School's arts center, Assistant Town Manager Jayne Wellman and Community Services Director Jenna Wood reminded citizens that there was an unprecedented demand for new pickleball courts.

In fact, according to date maintained by the Recreation Committee vendor that books court reservations at Memorial Park, last year alone some 14,650 citizens tried to book a reservation for one of the four available courts.

"Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in America, because it's inclusive and playable by people of all ages, abilities, and economic means," stated the assistant town manager. "We believe this ethic of inclusivity and adaptability combined with cleaning up this site and using it for wellness makes this an important project for our community."

Few disagreed. But in a message repeated throughout the deliberations, various Town Meeting members contended that Reading's citizenry - being asked to pass two debt exclusions this spring and facing a potential operating budget override in the next few years - is demanding some spending restraint.

"I love this plan and want these courts. My concern is paying for it," said local resident Daniel Malone. "There's been a theme this whole Town Meeting about us spending more than we're taking in. But we haven't done anything about it yet. We've green-lit [every spending request that's come before us] so far."

"This is a great project, but maybe it's not the right time," later remarked Precinct 3's Amy Sane. "If this was something that was monetized and we could pay back in several years [through user fees or a lease], it would be an easy 'yes' for me."

Several town residents did propose a series of amendments in an attempt to find a way to pay for the project through an alternative funding mechanism. Ultimately, with legal questions abounding about how to tie the $1 million in borrowing to a future lease or the imposition of user fees, the discussion was early last week tabled to a second night of debate.

Last Thursday, Town Meeting members would endorse a grand compromise struck with Town Hall managers, who agreed to impose user fees to recoup the initial $1 million investment and any interest payments made to finance the new courts.

A long hunt

Heading into this month's Annual Town Meeting deliberations, those lobbying for the new courts certainly had plenty of reasons to feel apprehensive about their prospects of victory.

Presently, there are just four public pickleball courts available for Reading residents' enjoyment, and that Memorial Park space - which consists of four converted tennis courts - has been deemed as woefully insufficient for years now given the soaring popularity of the sport.

Some five years ago, pickleball players thought they had found their answer after the Recreation Committee unveiled a comprehensive Birch Meadow complex improvement project that included plans to build eight new courts in the center of town on what is Reading's largest recreational parkland space.

However, after town officials excluded that project component until a second or third redevelopment phase, dozens of citizens began asking the town to consider carving out some new courts at Sturgis Park.

The Recreation Committee, noting that Town Meeting had in November of 2022 appropriated $60,000 to make repairs to several multipurpose courts, agreed to study that proposal. However, after residential abutters began challenging that initiative due to concerns that the "popping" sounds created by hitting the sports plastic balls would create a nuisance, the newly formed RPPA in March of 2023 agreed to back off. At around the same time, RPPA members similarly shelved yet another alternative that would place new pickleball courts at Washington Park due to similar concerns.

Determined to wait until the second phase of the Birch Meadow Park project broke ground, dejected sport enthusiasts found themselves starting all over again just months later in the summer of 2023, when town officials announced they had nixed the eight planned pickleball courts from the list of planned improvements. Worried that residents who reside along Bancroft Avenue would come out in force to approve that component, the pickleball playing areas have since been replaced by basketball courts.

In September of 2023, RPPA members began lobbying the town's Select Board for permission to construct up to eight temporary courts on Symonds Way behind the Burbank Ice Arena.

With the ice skating rink's non-profit board of directors backing, the pickleball proponents suggested the town spend up to $200,000 for the temporary playing areas.

In the interim, several other government boards, including the Select Board, Recreation Committee, Council on Aging, and a newly form Symonds Way Exploratory Committee (SWEC), could then study the possibility of adding a permanent outdoor playing area to a 4.5-acre parcel of town-owned land across the street. Notably, at the time, the Symonds Way site had also listed as one of the top locations for a new senior center.

Ultimately, RPPA members submitted a warrant article seeking funding for the temporary courts, but just days before Town Meeting was set to consider that proposal in November of 2023, town officials convinced the advocacy group to table the initiative.

"We started with Rec, and Rec said go in front of SWEC. So, we went in front of SWEC and SWEC said go in front of the Select Board. So, we went in front of the Select Board and Select Board said go in front of FinCom. So, we went in front of FinCom, and in between members of the Select Board took us aside and said you should probably consider a citizens' petition. It's your best bet. That's what we were told," vented RPPA member Mary Ann Devlin just prior to that decision.

The Select Board just about a year after the temporary courts were shelved agreed to slate around $109,000 in federal COVID-19 bailout funds towards a study into whether the pickleball expansion could co-exist on the same site as the new senior center.

Ultimately, that process resulted in both the intergenerational center and pickleball projects being placed on the warrant for Town Meeting to consider earlier this month.

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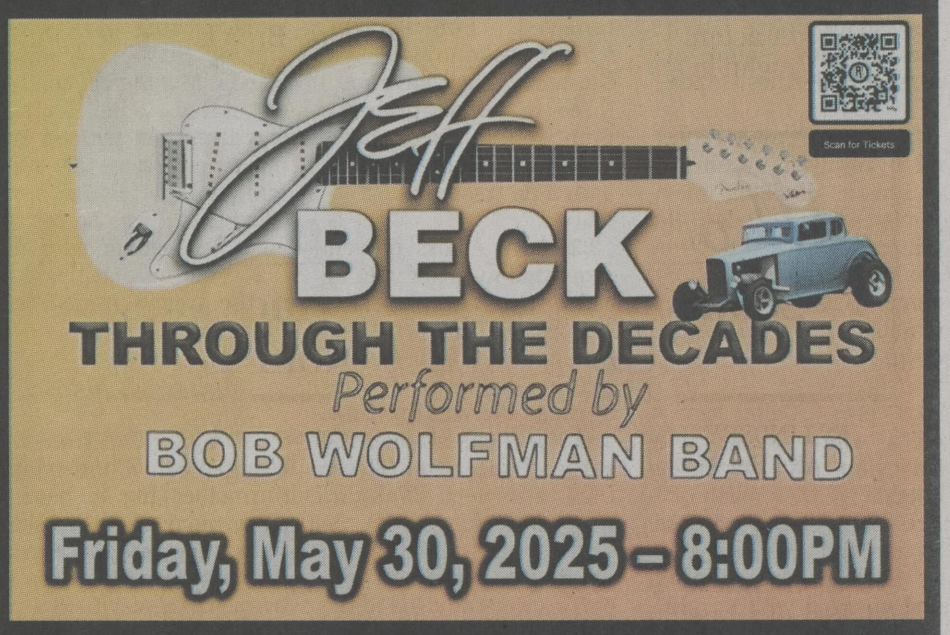

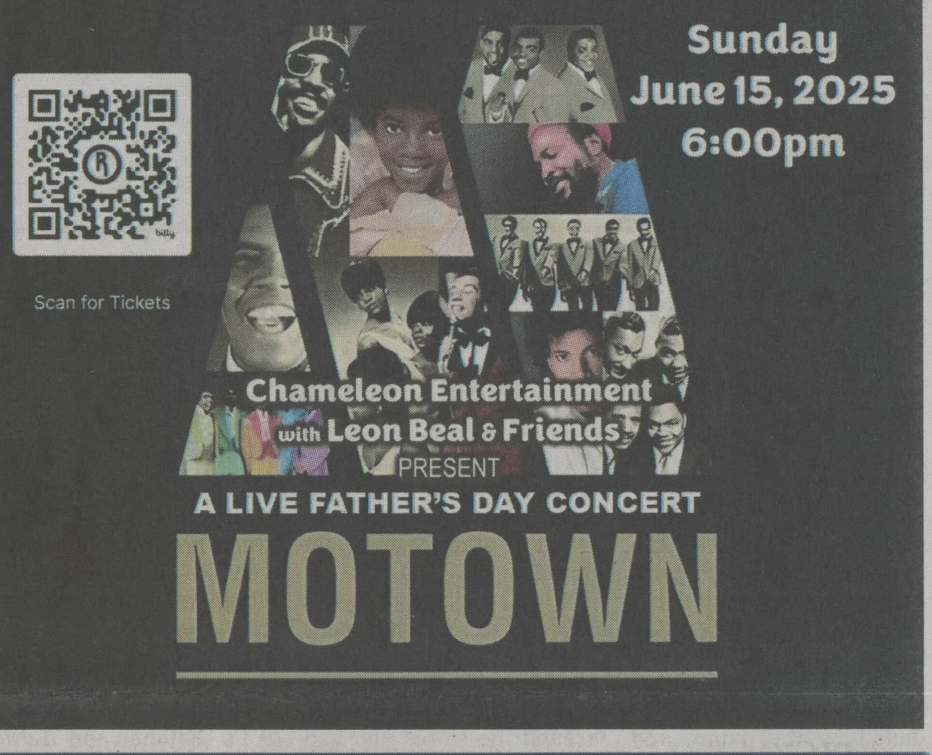

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Tewksbury Police Log

Lowell man arrested on warrant for drug possession

Monday, May 5

7:44 a.m. - Police officer reported he was flagged down by a worker at Cumberland Farms who was concerned about a new homeless encampment located behind the building. It was unclear if the encampment was on their property or Vic's Waffle House's property. They were informed to call Tewksbury Police Department if they require any further police assistance.

4:42 p.m. - Caller reported a grey Volkswagen with a female smoking marijuana at Knowledge Beginnings. Police sent. They advised vehicle was not running and female was staying a couple of houses down.

7:28 p.m. - Caller reported a white female stole things and was now sitting outside at CVS north. Police sent. Kimberly Weeks, 50, of 177 E Middlesex St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with shoplifting by concealing.

Tuesday, May 6

8:31 a.m. - Caller reported a Spanish male party operating a motorcycle was driving very erratically and telling cars to pull over at Tewksbury Post Office. Police sent. The motorcycle was gone on arrival.

10:50 a.m. - Caller noticed people setting up a tent on the property at Cumberland Farms. Caller was looking to have the parties removed. Police sent. Officer spoke to parties in the tents. They have until three to vacate property. Cumberland Farms does not want to move forward with a no trespass.

3:25 p.m. - Loss prevent requested to speak with an officer to have juveniles trespassed that were harassing staff and customers at Walmart. Parties were not there at this time, and the incident occurred earlier. Police sent. Officer filed a report. Walmart was just looking to ID the parties and determined not be be juveniles. Both parties were advised of the intention of Walmart trespassing them, but were not served the trespass.

7:53 p.m. - Caller reported two black trucks and a red truck were driving in the area recklessly at Tricia's Dance Studio. Police sent. The vehicles were parked when he arrived. Both operators were spoken to and were on their way.

10:21 p.m. - Call from Pro Vigil reported occupants on a gray sedan appeared to be picking up a silver van or SUV at Atamian Honda. Monitoring company stated video footage was live, then noticed last movement was at nine minutes ago. Police sent. The vehicle was on the lot on a jack stand with the tire removed and tire was on the ground ground next to the vehicle.

Wednesday, May 7

7:37 a.m. - Call from the manger of Cumberland Farms looking to have a party removed. Police sent. They reported those parties were served notice of trespass. Officer filed a report.

12:26 p.m. - Caller reported his mother-in-law was house sitting and reported that their dog dug a hole in the backyard and dug up a firearm at Waist Road. Police sent. Officer filed a report.

8:50 p.m. - Police off with a motor vehicle for being suspicious at Applebees Restaurant. Clear and that party checked out.

10:21 p.m. - A red sedan almost hit a tow truck head on by the high school at Pleasant Street. Vehicle was heading toward Main Street. Police sent. They reported nothing was found and gone on arrival.

Thursday, May 8

7:14 a.m. - Caller reported dumpster in the area, partially in the road, causing a hazard at Old Main Street and Barker Road. Police sent. They reported dumpster being dropped off for residential clean out at Barker Road. Dumpster was not in the road. There was room to get by.

Friday, May 9

3:33 a.m. - The caller believed her vehicle was stolen at Motel 6 and was last seen two days ago. Police sent. Officer filed a report.

3:03 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a male party wearing all black put vitamins and protein into his jacket at CVS north. Caller stated the male party was in the back of the store. Police sent. The male party left the items in the back of the store but he left. Police advised nothing was stolen. Items were concealed then returned.

5:17 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a white Lexus erratically drove at North Street. Second caller reported same vehicle all over the roadway. Caller in a silver Subaru and vehicle turned left onto Route 38. Vehicle took a right on Chandler and failed to stop. Police sent and had the vehicle stopped at Chandler Street and Helvetia. All units cleared. Operator checked out and was delivering flowers for a company out of New Hampshire.

Saturday, May 10

5:17 p.m. - Police out at Motel 6 to serve a warrant. Joseph Palette, 33, of 273 Summer Street at Lowell, was arrested and charged with a warrant for distribute class B drugs, a warrant for conspiracy to violate drug law, conspiracy to violate drug law felony, and possess to distribute class B drugs.

5:29 p.m. - Employee at iHop reported a customer refusing to pay his bill and telling the employee to call the police. Police sent. The party had been issued no trespass order and left the property. Police reported they do not wish to pursue criminal charges against him. Officer filed a report.

11:10 p.m. - Caller who wished to remain anonymous reported loud trucks doing burnouts in the parking lot of Market Basket South. She believed the party operating a blue Dodge pickup was intoxicated but would not say how she knew that. Police sent. They spoke with those parties. They were just fixing a truck in the parking lot and the operator of the blue pickup checks out.

Sunday, May 11

6:48 a.m. - Caller reported at 5:30 a.m., he he witnessed four teenage boys in the area at Lowell Street and James Avenue. Police sent. DPW on call contacted. The missing stop sign was at Park Street and Lowell Avenue. They were able to secure the sign and to canceled the DPW. Officer filed a report.

10:32 a.m. - A 911 caller reported a blue Subaru parked in front of her residence and the operator appeared to have two guns in his hand and was pointing them out of the parking lot at Andover North Estates. Police sent. The male was going to a Star Wars convention. The body armor and the guns were fake. Officer filed a report.

Wilmington Police Log

Shoplifting reportedly occurred at Main Street business

Friday, May 2:

10:27 a.m.: An employee at Sonny's Mobile on the Run on Lowell Street reported that the night beforehand, a white 2020 Chevy Silverado drove away from a gas pump with the pump still in, damaging the pump, and hadn't returned to notify the business of the damage. Police got in contact with the man, who will work out restitution with the business.

11:28 a.m.: A walk-in reported that a shoplifting had occurred at the TJ Maxx on Main Street on April 7, at about 10:45 a.m.

1:35 p.m.: Herbert Leroy Bouley of 159 Lake St., in Wilmington, was issued a summons for leaving the scene of property damage. This followed a caller reporting a hit-and-run involving a blue 2007 Ford F-150 and a black 2025 Toyota Camry in the parking lot of the Market Basket on Main Street.

Saturday, May 3:

9:12 a.m.: A caller at the UPS on Fordham Road reported a man who kept showing up to the property to apply for a job, despite repeatedly being told there was not an HR department at the location. The man was found to be in the process of applying, but hadn't yet received an orientation date; police provided him with a number to call going forward, and gave him a ride to Wilmington station on Main Street.

10:35 a.m.: An employee at the Advance Auto Parts on Main Street reported a man throwing items around the store, who had since left. The man was described as a tall white man in his 60s, wearing glasses, black joggers, and a black shirt. The employee was advised on how to fill out a no trespass order in case the man returned.

2:33 p.m.: A caller at the Market Basket on Main Street reported the driver of the vehicle next to him swung her door into his car, damaging it, but was refusing to give her information. The other driver was aware of the damage and was referred to insurance.

Sunday, May 4:

10:20 a.m.: A caller reported a man and a woman walking over the railroad track bridge on Lake Street, with the man yelling that the woman was crazy, and the woman was standing in the middle of the road yelling at passing drivers. Other calls reported her in front of the Shawsheen School, still walking in the middle of the road, but police were unable to find them.

1:23 p.m.: A black 2019 Nissan Rogue Sport and a white 2018 Chevy Colorado were involved in a motor vehicle accident on Cunningham Street, with airbags deployed in both vehicles.

8:26 p.m.: The owner of AJ's Kitchen on Lowell Street reported seeing a man around the back of the building take a box off the property. After checking security footage, police found the man on Bay Street, who stated that he was trying to catch a rabbit, and would return the boxes.

Monday, May 5:

9:21 a.m.: A manager at the Fedex on Industrial Way received bullets in a package and wanted to know how to dispose of them; the manager was advised of the proper protocol.

12:18 p.m.: A caller from the Reading Cooperative Bank on Lowell Street reported that a customer had money taken out of their account and would like to file a report.

2:37 p.m.: A safety officer at the Middle School on Carter Lane reported that a school bus had hit the front pillar of the school.

Tuesday, May 6:

2:53 a.m.: Matthew J Amentola of 71 Middlesex Ave., in Wilmington was issued a summons for failure to stop for police, negligent operation of a motor vehicle, operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, and speeding in violation of special regulations. This followed a stop of his black 2008 Dodge Charger on Eames Street.

3:40 p.m.: A gray 2022 Jeep Grand Cherokee and a black 2017 Mitsubishi Lancer were involved in a motor vehicle accident on Middlesex Avenue. No injuries were reported, and no airbags were deployed.

8:33 p.m.: A walk-in party stated she believed there was a tracking device on her vehicle.

Wednesday, May 7:

1:59 p.m.: Police received a report of children possibly playing on tracks around Richmond Street. Police spoke with the children and advised them to stay away from the train tracks.

11:12 p.m.: A caller at the Shell gas station on Main Street reported that a man stole four gallons of water and something for transmission, along with possibly other items. Police spoke with the man, who stated he took the water gallons to the restroom to refill them. The man was advised that if he were to do that in the future, he would need to speak with a store clerk first, resolving the misunderstanding.

Thursday, May 8:

2:17 a.m.: A caller on Lowell Street stated his car was being followed by two officers, and he was feeling scared as he hadn't done anything wrong. The man spoke with a police supervisor, who explained that the officers in town were being proactive about traffic enforcement, and that out-of-state plates like his might take longer to process than normal.

6:54 a.m.: Jose Garcia Guardado of 65 Webster St., Apt. #2, in East Boston, was issued a summons for unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and not having a valid inspection sticker. This followed a stop of his white 2004 Ford Econoline on the Rt. 62 highway.

10:07 a.m.: An officer reported a tractor trailer hit a pole on Main Street, and later hit a traffic signal on the same street. MassDOT was notified of the damage to the traffic signal, and police got the information of the truck's driver.

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IRCC readies for 40th anniversary concert

WILMINGTON — Music is in the air as the Ipswich River Community Chorus (IRCC) is in their final week of rehearsals for their upcoming 40th Anniversary Concert. The concert will be held on May 18 at Wilmington High School, 159 Church St., Wilmington from 4 - 6 p.m.

Ask anyone in this 80-member chorus what the secret to their longevity is and you'll get a lot of the same answers. A love of music and singing, the satisfaction that comes from making music together, and a passion for performing. By far though, the most common thread running through the group is the strength of the community.

"As we've evolved over the years, it's the friendships that people have made that keep them coming back year after year," said Don Putney, who has been with the chorus since its inception in 1983. "It's also a tribute to the conductors we've had, because they've consistently put together programs that our members want to sing."

This year, the chorus is welcoming back past conductors as they revisit some of their favorite pieces, including "Another Op'nin, Another Show," "Danny Boy," "No One is Alone," "Puttin' on the Ritz," "What a Wonderful World", a medley from West Side Story and more.

"I like the variety of music that we're performing," said Thomas Reed, who joined IRCC in the fall of 2024. "It's not just classical, but a mix of Broadway, folk, jazz, spirituals, global and popular pieces." Reed will be performing a solo titled "Baba Yetu," a Swahili rendition of the Lord's Prayer.

"I think what makes the chorus special is the amount of people experiencing so much joy from week to week," said Artistic Director, Katherine Foley. "A lot of people have come back to singing after a long break. They may have sung in high school or college, and this group is a great way to experience it again."

Foley brings a lifetime of experience both singing and teaching to her role. Since 2000, she has been singing with the Tanglewood Festival Chorus, the Boston Symphony Orchestra and the Boston Pops.

IRCC's founding conductor, Nancy Ferretti, is still performing with the chorus today. She has seen the chorus grow and change through the years, remarking that "the friendships made and programs we've done bring us together."

She added, "We've had some wonderful conductors, including our director today. Katherine's sense of humor makes it fun, but she's also an educator. She teaches us all to be better singers."

Purchase tickets for the 40th Anniversary Concert through TicketLeap at *ipswich-river-community-chorus.ticketleap.com* or from *ipswichrivercommunitychorus.org*.

Ticket Prices: Adults: $20 | Ages 6-18: $15 | Children 5 and under: Free

This concert is made possible, in part, by grants from the North Reading, Reading, Tewksbury and Wilmington Cultural Councils, local agencies which are supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

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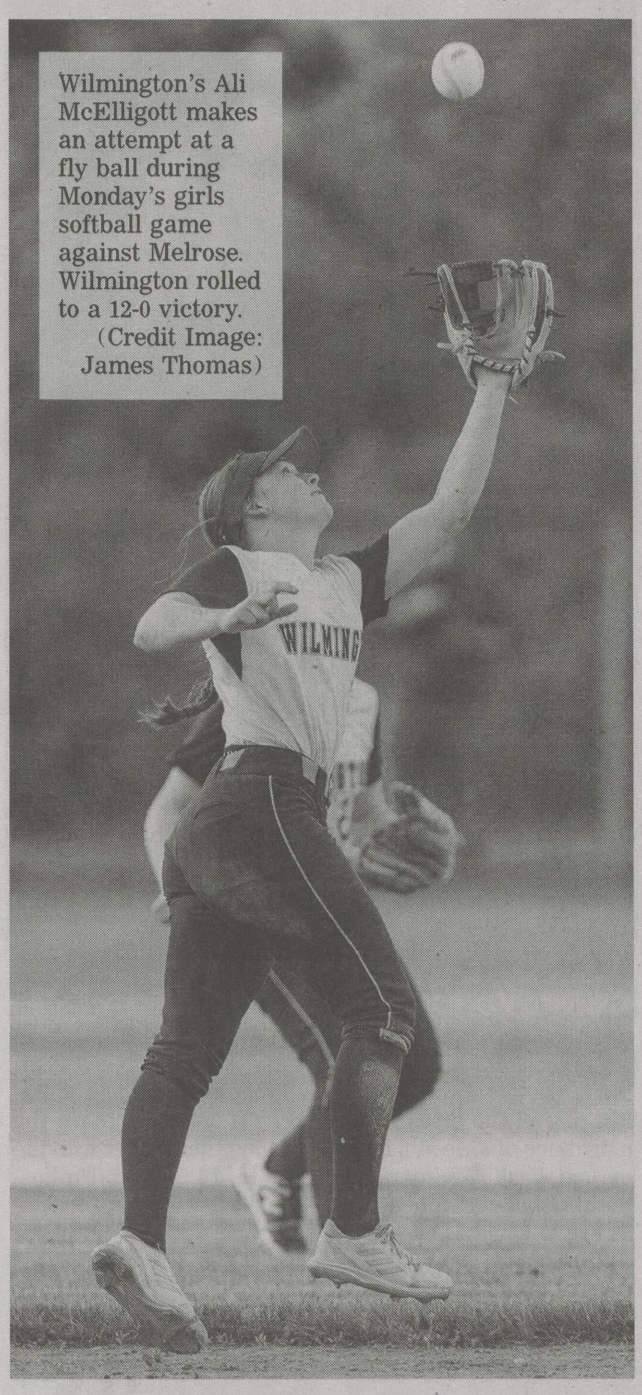
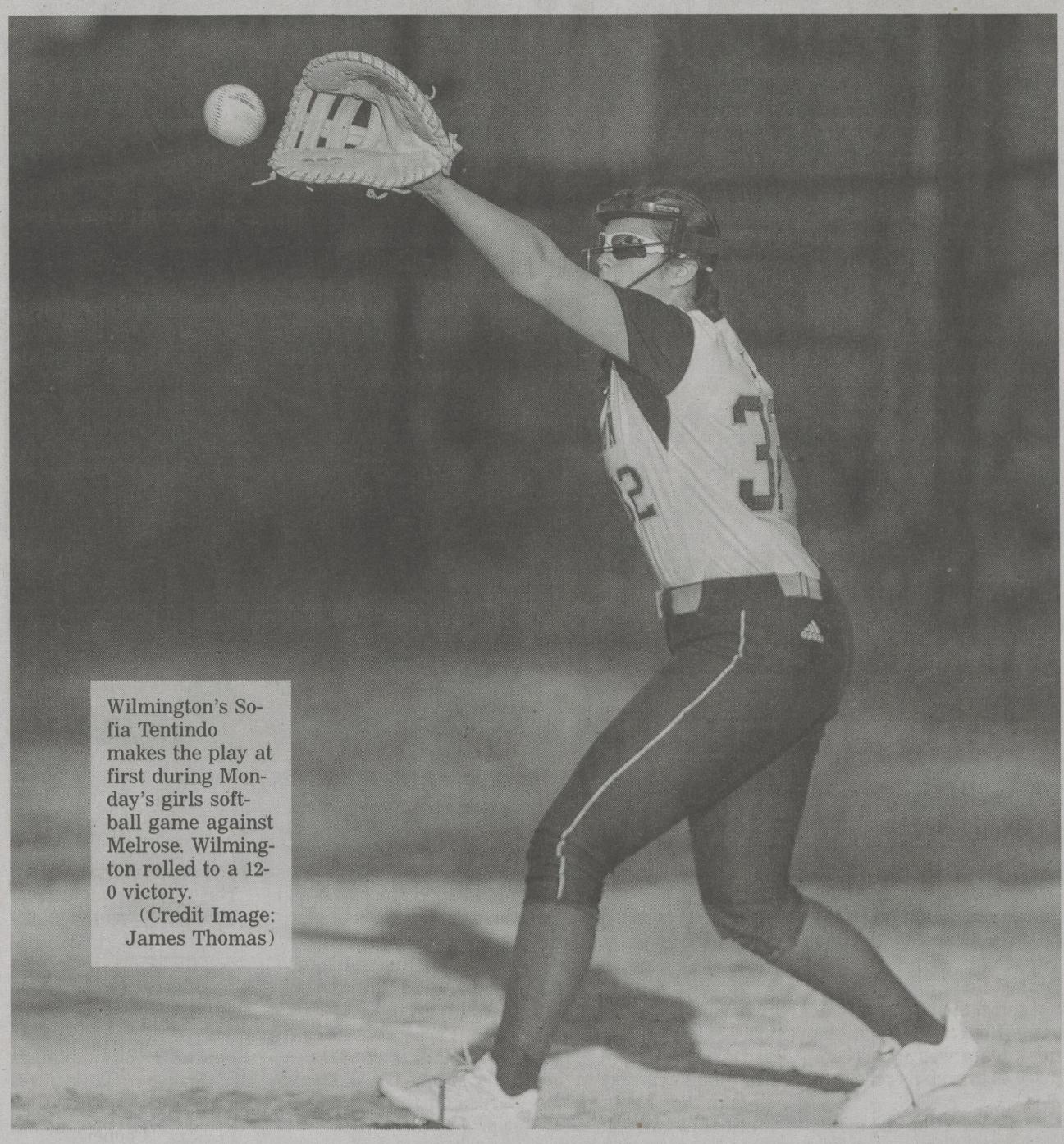


Wilmington's Ali McElligott makes an attempt at a fly ball during Monday's girls softball game against Melrose. Wilmington rolled to a 12-0 victory. (Credit Image: James Thomas)



Wilmington's Sofia Tentindo makes the play at first during Monday's girls softball game against Melrose. Wilmington rolled to a 12-0 victory. (Credit Image: James Thomas)

Softball blasts Melrose, Watertown

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With a mercy-rule shortened 12-0 win over Melrose on Monday, the Wilmington High softball team moved its overall record to 9-5 overall.

Isabelle Maiella pitched all six innings for the Wildcats, striking out 10, walking none and allowing just two hits.

Ali McElligott led the offense with a 4-for-4 performance and scored three runs while Evelyn LaClair went 2 for 3 with a walk, drove in three runs and scored three times.

Eva Boudreau added three hits and two RBIs, Sofia Tentindo had two hits and drove in three runs and Charlotte Forcina's big game included three hits, two RBIs and two runs scored.

Olivia Raposa and Grace LaMonica also had RBIs for the Wildcats.

Wilmington had 18 hits in all.

Last Thursday, Wilmington clobbered Watertown, 14-1, in a five-inning game.

A nine-run bottom of the fourth put the game away for the Wildcats.

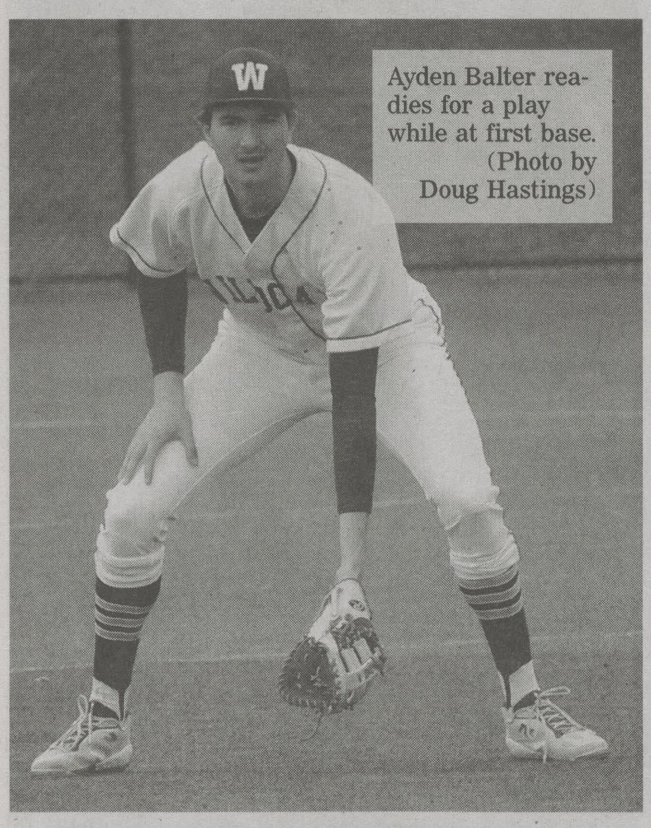
Sara Keck pitched all five innings, struck out 11 and gave up just two hits.

Forcina had two hits and four RBIs, LaClair and McElligott each drove in two runs while other RBIs went to Raposa, Tentindo and Summer Sands.

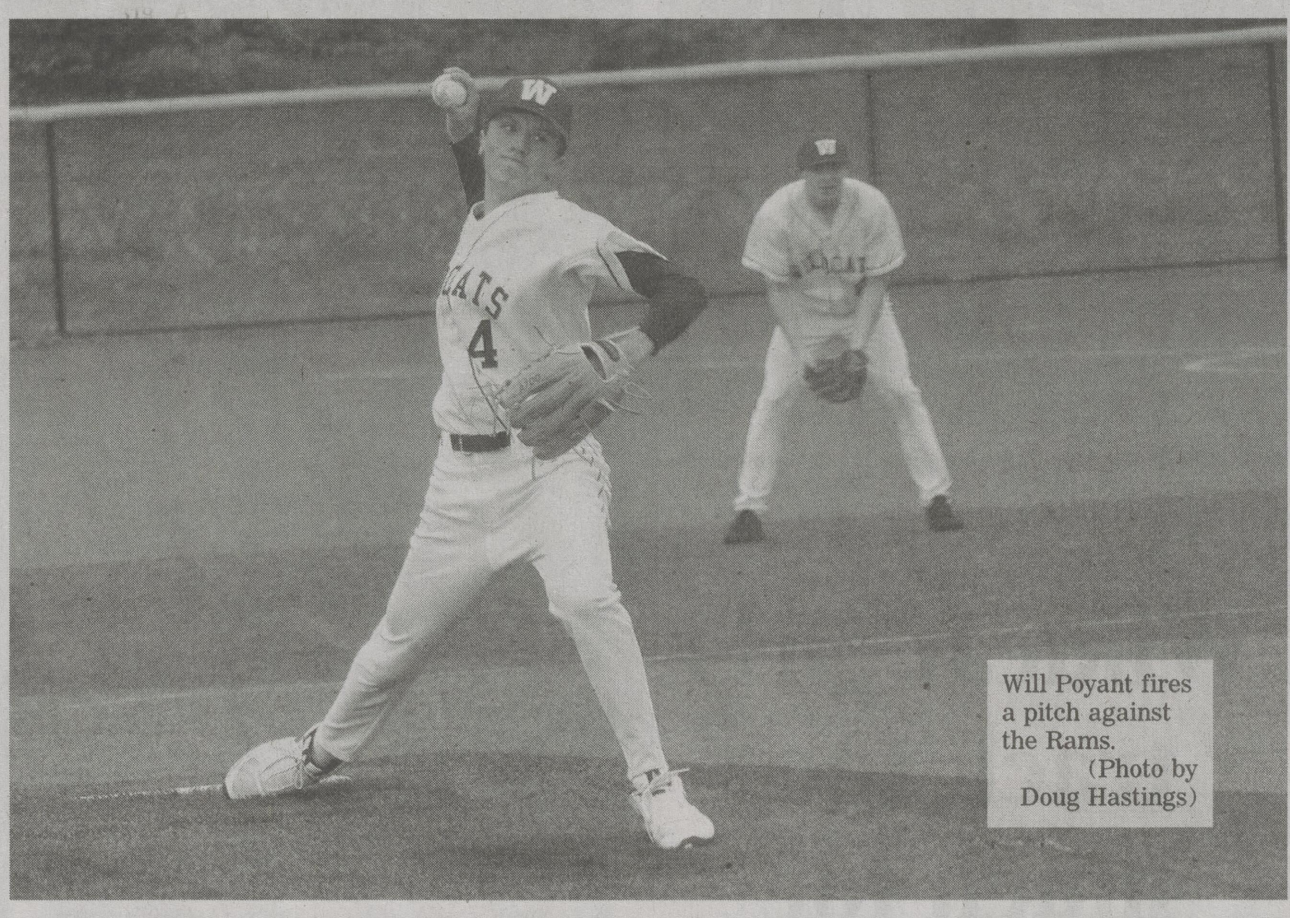
Forcina, McElligott and Raposa all had two hits apiece for Wilmington.

The Wildcats have a big game in Burlington on Thursday afternoon at 4:15 p.m.

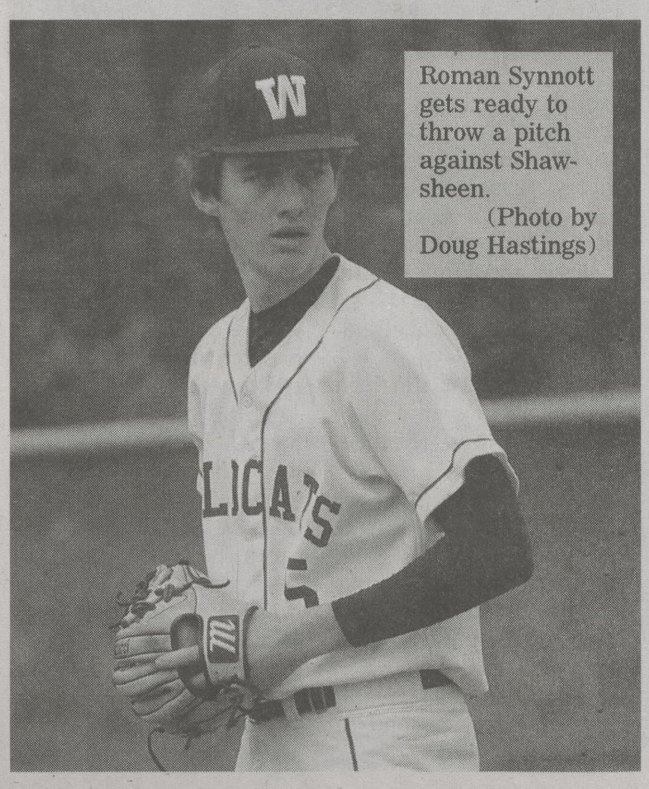
▶ Wilmington shortstop Ali McElligott is ready to make a play during Monday's girls softball game. (Credit Image: James Thomas)



Ayden Balter readies for a play while at first base. (Photo by Doug Hastings)



Will Poyant fires a pitch against the Rams. (Photo by Doug Hastings)



Roman Synnott gets ready to throw a pitch against Shawsheen. (Photo by Doug Hastings)

Wilmington baseball edged by Watertown

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The Wilmington High baseball team lost to Shawsheen Tech on Saturday by a 15-1 score, dropping WHS to 1-12 on the season.

The Wildcats totaled only four hits against Ram starter Will Trach, scoring their only run in the bottom of the seventh inning.

Kyle Gabaree had the RBI for Wilmington.

With hits for Wilmington was Connor Lovell, Andrew Almeda, Will Poyant and Haggerty.

Last Thursday, the 'Cats lost a tight game against Watertown, 4-3.

Wilmington trailed 2-0 before scoring three runs in the fifth to take a 3-2 lead.

The Raiders retook the lead with two runs in the top of sixth and won a close game.

Ayden Balter pitched six strong innings for Wilmington and Roman Synnott tossed the final frame.

The three-run fifth for Wilmington started with a single by Ryan Gray.

With one out, Lovell drew a walk before an RBI single by Julian Martins.

Poyant tied the game with an RBI grounder and Balter plated Martins with a base hit to give the Wildcats the lead.

Balter and Gray had two hits each for Wilmington.

Wilmington has upcoming home games with Burlington on Thursday, Arlington next Monday and Wakefield on Tuesday.

Wilmington's Martin Philiossaint gets airborne during the long jump at Tuesday's Middlesex League track meet in Reading. He placed second in his flight with a distance of 19 feet, 6.5 inches. (Credit Image: James Thomas)

WHS boys track and field tops Stoneham

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The Wilmington High boys track and field team split two recent meets, beating Stoneham and falling to Wakefield.

Against Stoneham at Reading High on May 7, the boys team won by a score of 87-49 to even its record to 2-2.

WHS won 11 events in all.

The Wildcats swept the two mile with Dean Ciampa taking first in 11:05.63, Jake Cronin placing second in 11:08.72 and Gavin Dong coming home third in 11:17.98.

Wilmington took first and second in five events.

In the 100-meter dash, Martin Philiossaint won in 11.52 seconds and Ashvin Baker placed second in 11.69.

Baker won the 200-meter dash in 23 seconds, a state-qualifying time, and Cam Jenks was second in 24.12.

Ciampa led a 1-2 finish in the 800-meter run, winning in 2:09.56 with Cooper Holleran taking second in 2:14.1.

The 'Cats earned eight points in the javelin.

Mark Holleran was first, throwing 128 feet, 3 inches, and Ben O'Brien was second with a distance of 118-7.

In the triple jump, the top two WHS finishers both qualified for the state meet. Marvins Jean won with a leap of 42 feet, 0.75 inches and Cam Periera was second with a distance of 40-11.

Wilmington took first and third in three competitions.

Dong was first in the mile in 4:54.19 and David Dynan placed third in 5:08.14.

Cam Periera captured in the 110-meter hurdles in 17.46 seconds and Dynan earned another third-place point in 20.31.

The long jump was another win for the Wildcats.

Philiossaint was victorious and qualified for the state meet with a distance of 21 feet, 0.5 inches and Jean claimed third with a leap of 19-5.

The other two wins for WHS came in the relays.

The 4 x 100 relay team of Philiossaint, Ayden Bellevy, Baker and Periera finished first in 45.16 seconds, a state qualifier.

The 4 x 400 relay team of Chase Heffernan, Cooper Holleran, Evan Cummings and Spencer Bagtaz was first in 3:55.98

Other Wildcats points came from Dylan Grace and Jackson Cipolle, who took second and third in the 400-meter hurdles in respective times of 1:06.43 and 1:10.45, and the tandem of Jenks and Chase Heffernan, who were second and third in the 400-meter dash in 54.44 and 57.01 seconds.

Wilmington's Ajay Gupta competes in the boys shot put during Tuesday's Middlesex track meet in Reading. (Credit Image: James Thomas)

Ryan Belanger competes in the boys shot put during Tuesday's Middlesex track meet in Reading. (Credit Image: James Thomas)

Chipping in with third-place points were Nate Murphy in the discus with a distance of 87 feet, 6 inches and Vasili Meimaris in the shot put with a heave of 36 feet, 3.5 inches.

Wilmington lost to Wakefield on April 29 by a score of 92-44.

The Wildcats won four events against the Warriors.

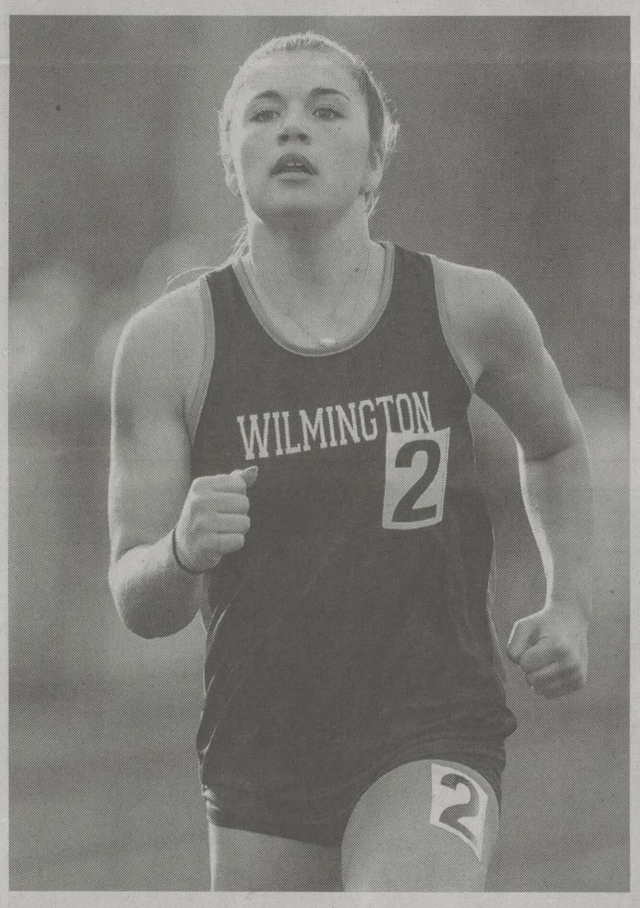
Both relays were victorious.

The 4 x 100 relay team of Cam Molina, Tyler Alfred, Ayden Bellevy and Cam Pereira won in 46.81 and the 4x400 foursome of Cam Jenks, Dean Ciampa, Chase Heffernan and Ashvin Baker was a winner in 3:46.27.

Philiossaint (11.5) and Baker (11.53) went 1-2 in the 100 and then Baker won the 200 in 23.13 and Philiossaint was third in 24.03.

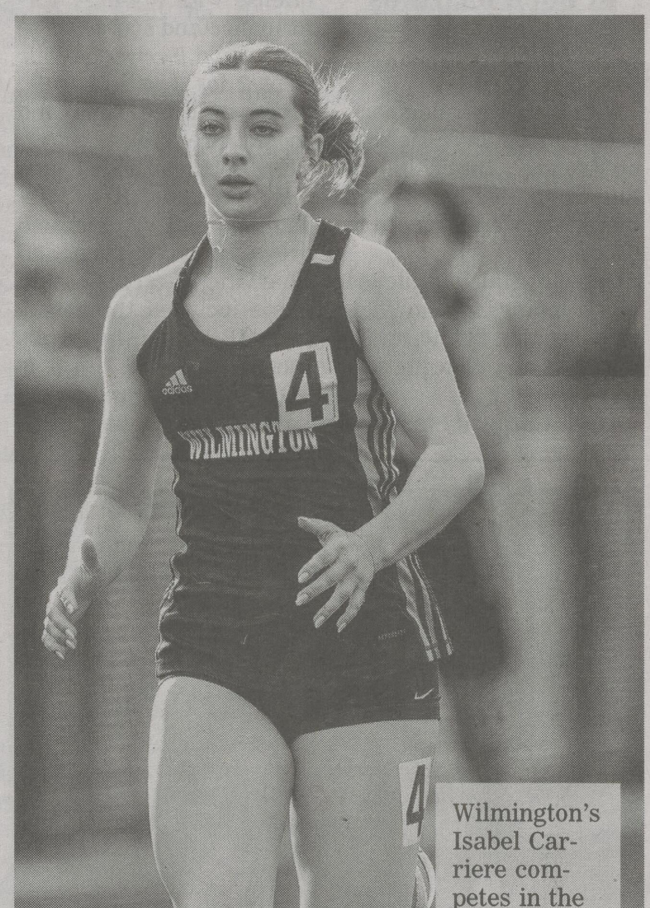
Scoring second-place points for Wilmington was Ciampa in the mile in 4:49.61, Pereira in the 110-hurdles in 18.18, Philiossaint in the long jump with a leap of 19-6.5, Jenks in the 400 in 55.28, Dong in the two mile in 10:53.12 and Jean in the triple jump with a distance of 41-1.5.

Chipping in with third-place performances was Dong in the mile (4:49.64) and Jenks in the long jump (19-0.25).



▲ Wilmington's Abigail Joyce competes in the women's 400 meter race during Tuesday's Middlesex track meet. Joyce finished fifth in her heat with a time of 109.95. (Credit Image: James Thomas)

Wilmington's Celina Vo competes in the women's 400 meter race during Tuesday's Middlesex track meet. Vo finished fourth in her heat with a time of 1:09.46 (Credit Image: James Thomas)



Wilmington's Isabel Carriere competes in the women's 400 meter race during Tuesday's Middlesex track meet. Carriere finished second in her heat with a time of 1:06.51. (Credit Image: James Thomas)

Wildcat girls track too much for Stoneham

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In recent action, the Wilmington High track and field squads beat Stoneham and lost to Wakefield, moving the Wildcats to 2-2 on the year with only a meet with Melrose remaining the schedule.

Against Stoneham, Wilmington won by an 89-47 margin.

The Wildcats won 10 events in all.

In the 100-meter hurdles, Kaylin Mulik was first in 18.82 seconds and Avery King finished second in 19.12.

WHS swept the 100-meter dash.

Lily McLaughlin was first in 13.83 seconds, Caroline Broussard was second in 13.86 and Kayleigh Walker placed third in 13.9.

The girls also swept the 200-meter dash.

Isabel Carriere won in 1:04.23, Celina Vo was second in 1:10.19 and Abby Joyce took third in 1:12.29.

In the 200, Angelina Vo won in 29.1 seconds and Olivia Martiniello was second in 30.55.

Charlotte Kiley led a 1-2 finish in the two mile, winning in 12:55.77 and Katelyn LaPointe was second in 14:04.5.

Another sweep in the shot put was led by Maddie Krueger's distance of 28 feet, 4.5 inches. Abby Howie was second (27-2) and Julia Heller was third (27 feet).

Krueger also won the discus with a distance of 93 feet, 7 inches.

The Wildcats also won the javelin and the long jump.

Howie won the javelin with a distance of 81 feet, 2 inches and Krueger took second (71-3). Sam Glaser won the long jump with a leap of 14 feet, 10.25 inches and Annette Fitzgibbons placed third with a leap of 14-2.

Wilmington's other win came in the 4 x 100 relay with a combination of Walker, McLaughlin, King and Broussard with a time of 54.10 seconds.

Second-place points were scored by Maeve White in the 400-meter hurdles in 1:15.37, Bella Zaya in the 800-meter run in 2:46.11, Bella Zaya in the 800-meter run in 2:46.11, Joyce in the triple jump with a distance of 32 feet, 0.75 inches and Mulik in the high jump after clearing 4 feet, 8 inches.

Adding third-place performances was Mulik in the 400 hurdles (1:18.24), Cayley Israelson in the mile (6:30.47), Leah Doucette in the 800-meter run (2:48.93) and White in the triple jump (30-8.25).

WHS lost to Wakefield, 85-51.

White led a 1-3 finish in the 400 hurdles in 1:15.44 and Mulik was third in 1:20.73.

The Wildcats also had another big day in the throwing events.

Krueger won the shot put (30-9) and the discus (88-6) and finished third in the javelin (72-1).

Howie won the javelin (95-3) and was second in the shot put (30-2.5).

Other second-place points were scored by King in the 100 hurdles in 19.28, Walker in the 100 in 13.88, Carriere in the 400 in 1:06.51, Emily Laquidara in the long jump with a distance of 15-1, Joyce in the triple jump with a leap of 31 feet and Katelyn LaPointe in the two mile in 14:12.8.

Adding third-place performances was Julia Heller in the discus (69-8) and shot put (28-7.5), Kiley in the mile (5:40.26), McLaughlin in the 100 (13.89), Carriere in the 200 (28.87), Israelson in the two mile (14:13.8), Sam Glaser in the long jump (14-3.5) and Olivia Martiniello in the triple jump (30-8.25).

Wilmington High tennis:

Girls earn eighth win with 4-1 victory over Watertown

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The Wilmington High girls tennis team improved to 8-5 on Monday with a 4-1 win against Watertown.

Savannah Beatrice and Jaslene Ryou won quickly in singles action.

Beatrice won 6-0, 6-0 at first singles and Ryou took a 6-0, 6-1 win at No. 3 singles.

Alison D'Arco lost at second singles for Wilmington by a 6-1, 6-1 score.

In doubles, Cara DiGiovanni and Veronika Loshak won at first doubles, 6-0, 6-2.

At No. 2 doubles, Shubhangi Tripathi and Sahana Puvanendrakumar won an excellent three-set battle, 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.

In action against Middlesex League Liberty Division teams, Wilmington lost to Belmont and defeated Reading.

Against Belmont, Beatrice won a memorable match at No. 1 singles, 4-6, 6-4, 1-0 (10-3).

The other singles matches were close as D'Arco fell 6-3, 6-4 and Ryou lost, 6-3, 6-2.

DiGiovanni and Loshak lost at No. 1 doubles, 6-0, 6-2 while Tripathi and Puvanendrakumar fell at second doubles, 6-0, 6-0.

In a sweep over Reading, the 'Cats won all three singles matches easily behind Beatrice, D'Arco and Ryou.

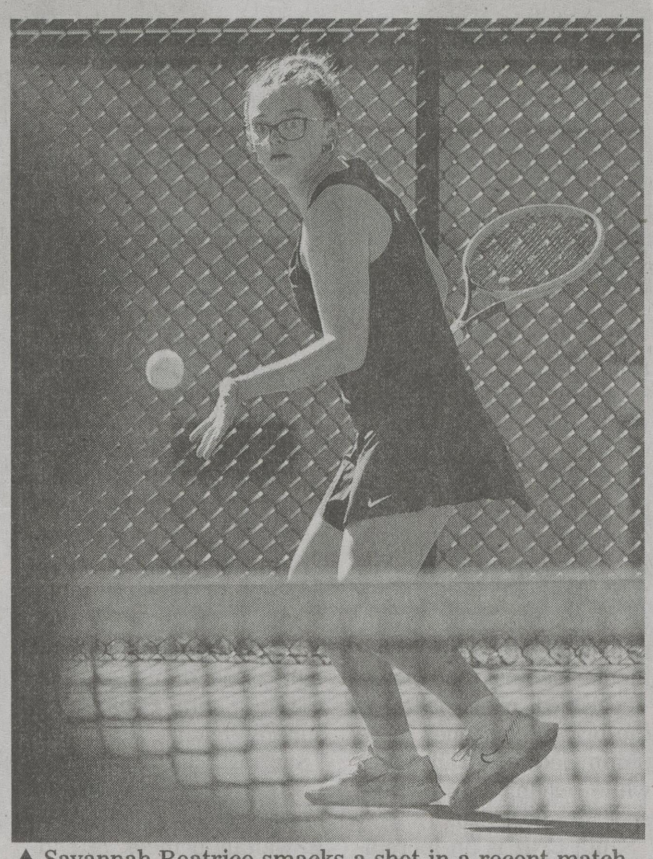
Puvanendrakumar and Tripathi pulled away for a 7-5, 6-0 win at second doubles and first doubles was a terrific battle that was won by DiGiovanni and Loshak, 2-6, 6-3, 1-0 (10-4).

BOYS BEAT WATERTOWN

The Wilmington High boys tennis beat Watertown, 4-1 on Monday.

The highlight of the day for Wilmington was second doubles where Ientile played his first varsity match with Jeffrey Ryou.

After losing the first set 6-1, the Wildcat tandem controlled their jitters to post an impressive win 6-4, 6-4.



▲ Savannah Beatrice smacks a shot in a recent match.
(Joe Brown photo)

▲ Vinny Anastasia hits a forehand against Woburn.
(Photo by Doug Hastings)

On Thursday, May 8, the Wildcats lost 4-1 to a traditionally strong Arlington team.

Sanjeev Panendrakumar played at first singles, securing a comeback 2-6, 6-2, 6-1 victory.

Shawsheen Tech Roundup:

Amazing season continues

Ram baseball putting up staggering numbers in unbeaten run

By DOUG HASTINGS
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A few numbers to absorb as the Shawsheen Tech baseball team heads down the home stretch of its 2025 season.

The Rams are 15-0 this season.

In eight Commonwealth Athletic Conference contests, Shawsheen is 8-0. In those nine victories, the Rams have scored 78 runs while allowing only four.

In seven non-league contests against the likes of Mystic Valley, Concord-Carlisle, Reading, Wilmington High and Dracut, Shawsheen is 7-0 with 54 runs scored and six against.

Fifteen games, 10 runs allowed.

Ram pitching and defense has eight shutouts.

The team didn't allow a run at all until April 23 in a 12-1 clubbing of Whittier Tech.

Allowing with the shutouts, Shawsheen has allowed only one run four times and two runs on three occasions. It's the kind of numbers that have likely never been seen before on Cook Street and never might be seen again.

It's not just the defense that's popping eye balls either.

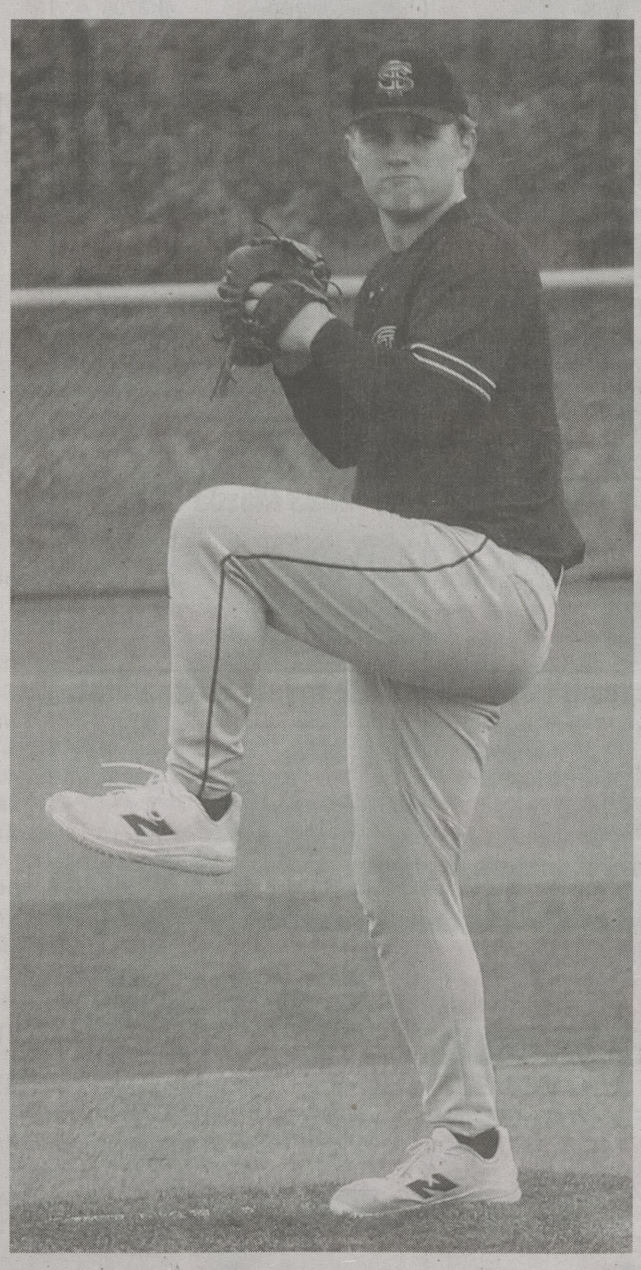
Nine times, Shawsheen victories have been stopped early because of the 10-run mercy rule.

In its most recent win, the Rams crushed Wilmington on Saturday by a score of 15-1.

Shawsheen was actually the away team with the rain making the Wildcat field unplayable.

Earlier in the week, Shawsheen beat Northeast Regional and Greater Lawrence in CAC contests by respective scores of 10-0 and 12-2.

Against Wilmington, Ram starter Will Trach went all five innings, allowing just one hit with four strikeouts.



◀ Will Trach throws a pitch for the Rams against Wilmington.
(Doug Hastings photo)

Shawsheen set the tone by scoring four runs in the first inning and never looked back.

Offensively, Shawsheen was led by Will Holloway and Trach who had three RBIs apiece while Robbie Welch had two hits, drove in two runs and scored three times.

Ryan Jamieson, Peter D'Orsi and Dyllon Pratt all scored two runs each.

In the win over Northeast, Cole Pellegrino allowed one hit, struck out two and worked efficiently to earn the win.

Shawsheen set the tone by scoring eight runs in the top of the second inning.

Five Rams had two RBIs apiece including Pratt, Lukas Poirier, Ryan Jamieson, Adam Caruso and Ryan Jamieson.

Against Greater Lawrence, Jake Carr was the winning pitcher for Shawsheen.

Carr tossed four innings and allowed two earned runs before Gavin Poirier pitched a 1, 2, 3 fifth and final inning.

The Rams scored six times in the bottom of the first inning.

Nate Galanis, Caruso and Carr each drove in two runs, Holloway had three hits, scored three times and drove in a run and Jamieson scored twice.

After hosting Whittier on Wednesday, Shawsheen welcomes Greater Lowell on Friday night at 7 p.m. before another home game on Monday at 4 p.m. against Concord-Carlisle.

BOYS LACROSSE AT 14-1

Revenge?

That probably doesn't cover it.

The Shawsheen Tech boys lacrosse team avenged its only loss of the season on Monday with a 16-1 thumping of Whittier Tech of Haverhill.

▲ Robbie Welch takes a lead off of first base during Saturday's game against Wilmington.
(Doug Hastings photo)

▲ Adam Caruso is congratulated by teammates after a nice play.
(Doug Hastings photo)

Whittier beat the Rams earlier in the year by a 9-7 score.

In the rematch, Quinn Carbone had four goals and one assist to lead the offense while Jack Martins added three goals.

Josh Baker, Jacoby Patterson and Niko Georgoulis all chipped in with two goals apiece and single goals were added by Zack Timmons, Cam Banda and Tristan Lane.

Defensively, Shawsheen was led by goalie Nate Malandain and defenders Shane O'Neil, Zach Conners, Jake Giordano and Ethan Caceras.

Shawsheen upped its record to 12-1 with a 12-9 win against Melrose of the Middlesex League then had two big Commonwealth Athletic Conference contests.

Last Thursday, the Rams trounced Northeast Tech, 17-1, before Monday's win against Whittier Tech.

Martins and Shaun Ricchi had four goals each against Northeast while Lane, Baker and Georgoulis all had two goals.

Other goal scorers included Dylan Minasian, Harry Kinnsella and Quinn Carbone.

Malandian and Joe Da Silva split the win in net.

Against Melrose, Quinn Carbone's four goals led the way for the Rams, Baker had three goals and one assist, and Georgoulis scored twice.

Martins, Patterson and Timmons also scored.

Malandain made 11 big saves in goal.

Shawsheen concludes its regular season in the next week.

Friday, the Rams host Sharon at 6:30 p.m. before two games next week, a Tuesday home contest against Haverhill at 4 p.m. and a Friday trip to Triton Regional at 4 p.m.

GIRLS LAX HAS NINE WINS

With an exciting 7-6 win over Dracut, the Shawsheen Tech girls lacrosse team upped its record to 9-4 overall.

Jude Sloman had three goals in the victory while Cera salter had two goals and Izzy Ferguson had one goal.

Ava Noble had the winning goal for the Rams.

Before Dracut, Shawsheen clobbered Whittier Tech by a score of 12-0.

Sloman scored five goals to pace the offense.

Meaghan Warford and Izzy Ferguson scored two goals apiece and Cera Salter, Allyssa Constantiello and Brooke Newhouse all had one goal.

The Rams played at Lowell Catholic on Tuesday and host Northeast Tech on Friday at 5 p.m.

Lifestyle

Santa Cruz, a pacific paradise

Natural Bridges State Beach features unique geography and endless exploration. (Rosalyn Impink photo)

By ROSALYN IMPINK
News Correspondent

If you're seeking adventure on the West Coast, look no further than Santa Cruz. Sitting at the northern tip of Monterey Bay, this quirky and historic city embodies classic California culture while preserving the natural beauty of the region.

Santa Cruz is a little more than an hour south of San Francisco by car. Start your day off at Natural Bridges State Beach. This quiet nature preserve is a great place to get oriented with California's flora and fauna.

In the winter, the park's eucalyptus tree grove serves as a safe haven for migrating monarch butterflies, providing them with food and shelter through the chilly months.

Down on the beach, tide pools let visitors see Pacific sea creatures up close in their natural habitat, with guided tours offered on weekends. The titular natural bridge is also spectacular against the horizon — eroded over decades, the bridge continues to be pummeled by ocean waves while serving as a nesting spot for shorebirds.

Santa Cruz is an incredibly pedestrian- and cyclist-friendly community. From Natural Bridges, kick off your journey by heading onto West Cliff Drive, a multipurpose 3-mile path that hugs the shoreline above the crashing waves of the Pacific.

Beautiful cliffside homes and wildflower meadows make this an aesthetic walk with unbeatable ocean views.

Continue east along the path to reach Lighthouse Point; this iconic overlook is home to the Santa Cruz Surfing Museum, a one-room artifact hall inside a lighthouse that pays tribute to Santa Cruz's rich surfing history.

Surfing was brought to the mainland United States in 1885 when three Hawaiian princes attending school in California created surfboards out of redwood trees and left an indelible mark on American culture.

Peak over the cliff to catch a glimpse of modern day surfers braving the waves and the cold at Steamer Lane.

Just ahead, find the bronze statue "To Honor Surfing," which pays tribute to generations of surfers in Santa Cruz and around the world.

Take a break and grab a drink at nearby Shrine Coffee, a nonprofit coffee house run by the adjacent Catholic church. It's the perfect place to sit and enjoy a few minutes of peace on the gorgeous Spanish-style patio amid a mix of plants and trees from around the world. Be sure to try one of the handcrafted drinks — perhaps the Our Frother oatmilk latte.

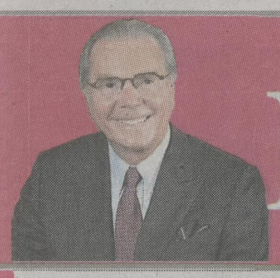
Continuing along West Cliff Drive will land you at the Santa Cruz municipal wharf. Jutting out into the ocean, this is a great place to explore shops and restaurants. Be sure to peek under the wharf for a glimpse of resident sea lions; despite the collapse of the end of the wharf late last year, the pinnipeds have turned out in droves to claim the wreckage as their "hauling out" spot.

The nearby Santa Cruz boardwalk offers plenty of amusement park thrills, or head inland and explore Santa Cruz's downtown — there's no shortage of eateries, galleries, and artisan shops to delight the senses.

Santa Cruz offers a refreshing mix of nature, history, and modern amenities, making it a prime destination for any Northern California trip.

The "To Honor Surfing" statue pays homage to generations of surfers. (Rosalyn Impink photo)

Santa Cruz's West Cliff Drive offers sweeping Pacific views. (Rosalyn Impink photo)



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OBITUARIES

Joan Alexandria (Groves) Corsaro

Worked in the Wilmington Public Schools

Joan Alexandria (Groves) Corsaro, age 83, of Wilmington, passed away unexpectedly on May 10, 2025.

Joan was born in Melrose on Nov. 14, 1941. She was the oldest child and only daughter of Alexander "Sandy" Groves (1918 - 1983) and Winifred A. (Grant) Groves (1914 - 1974).

Joan grew up in Melrose where she graduated from Melrose High School, Class of 1959. After graduating high school, Joan worked several years for the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company.

She married her husband, Charles, on July 12, 1969, and they moved to Wilmington in December 1972. While raising their only child, Joan worked as a substitute in the Wilmington Public School cafeterias which allowed her to have the same schedule as her daughter who was in elementary school at the time.

She then worked for the former Commerical Bank and Trust Company before becoming the parish secretary at St. Thomas of Villanova where she faithfully attended Mass and was active in the Women's Club.

Joan is predeceased by her husband, "Carmelo" Charles Corsaro, to whom she was married for 51-and-a-half years. Joan was Charlie's primary caregiver before he passed away from complications related to MS on Jan. 10, 2024.

Joan is survived by her daughter, Winifred (Winnie) Polomoscanik and her husband, Steven, of Methuen. She was the loving and proud grandmother to her two grandchildren, Luke and Emily Polomoscanik.

Joan is also predeceased by her youngest brother, Kenneth B. Groves who passed away on March 7, 2023.

Joan is also survived by her sister-in-law, Joyce Groves, her brother, USMC MSgt. Lawrence Groves and his wife, Maureen. She was the aunt to three nieces and two nephews.

Family and friends will gather at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave., (Rt. 62), Wilmington on Saturday, May 17 at 9:30 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington at 10:30 a.m. Interment will follow in

Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. Visiting hours will be held at the funeral home on Friday, May 16 from 5 - 8 p.m.

Memorial donations in Joan's name may be made to the Parish of the Transfiguration - St. Thomas of Villanova, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, MA 01887 or Boston Children's Hospital Trust, "Pediatric Transplant Center, 94483-01" 401 Park Drive, Suite 602, Boston, MA 02215.

Faye M. (Sullivan) Jenkins

Worked at Lahey Hospital for many years

Faye M. (Sullivan) Jenkins, age 69, a long-time resident of Wilmington, passed away on May 9, 2025.

Faye was born and raised in South Boston where she made life-long friends who became family. Faye became a registered nurse at Boston State College and worked at Boston City Hospital early in her career and continued to Lahey Hospital where she worked for many years.

Her mastery and passion in nursing was in laser cosmetics and dermatology. She was a fierce advocate for quality and safety as the industry emerged.

Faye was a friend to all, making connections wherever she went. She enjoyed spending time with her neighbors on Arlene Avenue, playing pool at the Knights of Columbus and catching up with her 'Southie Girls.' Above all, Faye enjoyed spending time as "Mim" with her three grandchildren, sharing her favorite places like Castle Island and Silver Lake.

Faye was the devoted mother of Cara L. Lombardi of Hudson, NH, and the late Vinnie DiMauro, loving "Mim" of Cody, Macy, and Lena Lombardi, cherished daughter of the late Walter T. and Irene M. (Dietsch) Sullivan, dear sister of the late Johnny Sullivan and the late Melvin Ward, mother-in-law of the late Matthew Lombardi.

Family and friends will gather for Visitation at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave., (Rt. 62), Wilmington, on Thursday, May 15 from 4 - 7 p.m. A Funeral Service will be held at the funeral home on Friday, May 16 at 11:30 a.m. Interment will follow in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

Memorial donations in Faye's name may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Floor 17, Chicago, IL 60601. *www.nicholsfuneralhome.com*

Jaye P. (Barry) Francis

Biggest prankster, always with a surprise

With deep sadness and so much love, we announce the passing of Jaye Francis, who left us on May 11, 2025. She was a beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend — a true spark of joy in all our lives.

Jaye P. (Barry) Francis, age 69, of Wilmington, fondly known as "Jayebird" to her family and friends passed away peacefully at home on May 11, 2025, Mother's Day, with her loving family at her side.

Jaye was born in Winchester on July 25, 1955; she was the cherished daughter of the late Edward and Helen (Rice) Barry. She was raised and educated in Woburn and part of a large and loving family.

Jaye was the heartbeat of our family. She loved nothing more than spending time with her loved ones — whether it was a holiday, a shopping trip, or just a sunny afternoon spent watering her yard. She found joy in the everyday: a clean home, a blooming flower, a good laugh. And oh, did she love to laugh.

She was our family's biggest prankster — always ready with a joke, a surprise, or a playful scheme. Her legendary cake fights became family traditions, and no one was safe from her good-natured mischief. Her laughter filled the room, and her joyful energy made everyone feel at ease.

Though she was a night owl, her light shined all day. She leaves behind a legacy of love, laughter, and unforgettable memories.

Jaye was the beloved wife and best friend of Wayne H. Francis, devoted mother of Tammy Francis of Wilmington, Wayne Francis, Jr. and companion Raychel Pappas of Wilmington, Shawn Francis and wife Amanda of Tewksbury, Laura Francis and companion Eric Creekmore of Wilmington, and Jillian Whitney and husband Michael of Gloucester.

Loving "Nannie Fran" of Alexis Parsons, Drew Depalma, Kara Whitney, Jordyn Doyle, Jaelyn Creekmore, Kaycee Whitney, Harley Francis, Emma Francis, Joseph Whitney, Jesse Creekmore, Stephanie Francis, Zoey Francis and great-grandchildren Thomas and Jaxon Depalma.

Dear sister of Jeanne Queen of Woburn, Janice Saulnier of Canada, Janie Francis of New Hampshire, she is pre-deceased by her siblings June Lombardo, Judy O'Connell, Jim Barry, Jerald Barry, Jackie Barry, and Joanie Monroe.

Jaye is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends.

We will miss her dearly but hold tight to the joy

she brought into our lives. Her humor, heart, and kindness will live on in every smile she gave us.

Family and friends gathered for Visiting Hours at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rt. 62), Wilmington, on Tuesday, May 13 from 4 - 7 p.m. A Funeral Mass for Jaye took place at St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, MA, on Wednesday, May 14 at 10:30 a.m. followed by her interment in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington, MA.

To leave a message of condolence for the family please visit our website at *www.nicholsfuneralhome.com*

Raindrops don't keep people away from Power of Flowers Bloom Festival

Despite the rain, many people came out for the Power of Flowers Project annual Bloom Festival at the greenhouses on the campus of Tewksbury Hospital. POFP Executive Director Michelle Silveira and Dan Green show off one of the many potted plants available during the sale.

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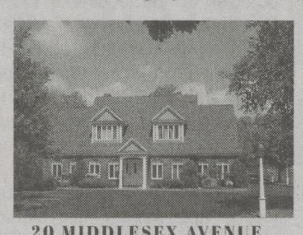

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Local students named to Dean's List at SNHU

MANCHESTER, NH — **Emily Freitas of Wilmington** has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's spring 2025 Dean's List. The spring terms run from January to May.

Also named to the Dean's List, from **Tewksbury**, are **Isaiah Castronova, Scott Miller, Cali O'Riordan, Luisa Cardona, and Monica Pires.**

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.500 to 3.699 for the reporting term are named to the Dean's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired 8-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer.

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The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on **June 3, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.** in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA for a Site Plan Review #25-02, Stormwater Management Permit #25-05, Groundwater Protection District Special Permit #25-02, Multi-family Special Permit #25-01, and Inclusionary Housing Special Permit #25-01, plan entitled, "Proposed Permit Site Plans, Cross Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts"; dated May 11, 2022, last revised February 16, 2023, prepared by Michael J Juliano, P.E., and Richard J Mede Jr., P.L.S., Eaglebrook Engineering & Survey, LLC, 491 Maple Street, Suite 304, Danvers, Mass. 01923. The application is for an amendment to the previously approved permit for a change to condominium units and a change in the affordable unit numbers. Said property is located at 7 Cross Street and shown on Assessor's Map 40 Parcel 11.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during normal business hours.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Terence Boland, Chair
Wilmington Planning Board

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
PLANNING BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on **June 3, 2025 at 7:35 p.m.** in Room 9 at Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA for a Definitive Subdivision Plan #25-03 and Stormwater Management Permit #25-04, plan entitled, "Definitive Subdivision Plan, Bruning Road, Wilmington, Massachusetts"; dated April 1, 2025, prepared by Douglas E. Lees, P.E., P.L.S., Land Engineering & Environmental Services, Inc., One Bridgeview Circle, Tyngsboro, Massachusetts 01879. This subdivision is for four (4) single-family lots. Said property is located on Bruning Road and shown on Assessor's Map 11 Parcel 6.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during normal business hours.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Terence Boland, Chair
Wilmington Planning Board

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS

INVITATION FOR BIDS

BUR ROOF REPAIR PROJECT
WOBURN STREET SCHOOL
CLASSROOM WING
WILMINGTON

Sealed bids for furnishing the following item will be received at the Office of the Town Manager, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, until the time specified below at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read **BUR Roof Repair Project, Woburn Street School, Classroom wing**, May 30, 2025 @ **10:00 AM**

Each Bid must be accompanied by a bid security consisting of a BID BOND, CASH, or, CERTIFIED CHECK issued by a responsible bank or trust company in the amount of 5% of the bid price.

Specifications and bid forms may be obtained electronically by visiting the Town of Wilmington website (http://www.wilmingtonma.gov/purchasing-department). Only after subscribing electronically, hard copies of the documents may be picked up from the **WILMINGTON PUBLIC BUILDINGS, 30 CHURCH ST. WILMINGTON, MA 01887 978-658-3017.**

Pre-Bid Conference and Site Visit will be held at the Woburn St School, 227 Woburn St, Wilmington, MA on **Friday, May 23, 2025, at 3:30pm.**

A performance bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total amount of the contract price with a surety company qualified to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will be required for the faithful performance of the contract, as well as a labor and materials bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total contract price.

All bids for this project are subject to applicable public bidding laws of Massachusetts, including G.L. c.149, § §44A through 44H, as amended.

Attention is directed to the minimum wage rates to be paid as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development and the weekly payroll record submittal requirements under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 through 27D inclusive.

Attention is further directed to the requirements of G.L. c.149, §44D requiring submission of a Division of Capital Asset Management Approved Certificate of Eligibility and Update Statement with all bids. Selection of the contractor will be based upon bidder qualifications, including evidence of past performance in similar projects, and bid price. The contract will be awarded to the bidder deemed by the awarding authority to be the lowest responsible and eligible bidder.

The bidder agrees that its bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of 30 days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids.

The Town reserves the right to waive any informalities, to accept or reject, in whole or in part any or all bids, or take whatever other action may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

By: R. Eric Slagle
Town Manager

250507 5/15/25

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT

MIDDLESEX DIVISION

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No. MI25P2336EA

Estate of:
Krista D. Carwardine
Also Known As:
Krista Carwardine
Date of Death:
December 22, 2024

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Danielle Battisti-Katz of Weston** a Will has been admitted to informal probate **Danielle Battisti-Katz of Weston** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **May 28, 2025,** at **6:30 P.M. within the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street**, for a NOI application filed by New England Power Company for two exploratory soil borings within bordering vegetated wetland and its buffer zone.

The property subject to this application is located at **357 OLD BOSTON RD TEWKSBURY, MA, Assessor's Map 35-5.**

The application may be examined on the Conservation Commission webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application ,please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Daniel Ronan
Chair

250509 5/15//25

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

REQUEST FOR
DETERMINATION OF
APPLICABILITY (RDA)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **May 28, 2025, at 6:30 P.M., located at Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street,** for a RDA application filed by Carlos caballero for driveway construction within 100' of bordering vegetated wetland.

The property subject to this application is located at **41 VIRGINIA RD TEWKSBURY, MA, ASSESSOR'S MAP 58-175.**

The application may be examined on the Conservation Commission webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Daniel Ronan,
Chair

250481 5/15/25

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **June 2, 2025 at 7:10 P.M.** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **McGovern Hyundai on behalf of KRAM Development** for a Special Permit under Section 6.1.6.A of the Zoning Bylaw for a remote parking lot as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at **2212 Main Street,** Assessor's Map 96, Lot 103, zoned South Village Business.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **May 29, 2025 at 6:30 P.M.** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 for an application filed by **Little League of Tewksbury on behalf of the Town of Tewksbury** for a variance under Section 5.3.5 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw, for front setbacks to construct a new10'x20' two-story press box as shown on plans filed with the Board.

Said property is located at **90 CHANDLER ST**, Assessor's Map 76 , Lot 32 zoned Park (P) .

The application may be examined on the Zoning Board of Appeals webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Nancy Rego, Chair

250500 5/15,22/25

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for furnishing and installing the following item: **One (1) set of Solar Powered Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB)** will be received at the Office of the Town Manager, Wilmington Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887 until the time specified below at which time the bids will be opened and read remotely as described in the bid specifications package.

Bid Specifications may be downloaded at the Town's website:
https://www.wilmingtonma.gov/purchasing-department
Bid opening will be held on:
Thursday, June 5, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

If the contract awarded is more than $25,000, the winning bidder shall supply a payment bond and performance bond in the amount of 50% of the total bid within 10 days of the bid award. Payment and Performance bonds must be issued by a surety that is qualified to do business under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and satisfactory to the Town of Wilmington.

All bids for this project are subject to applicable public bidding laws of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to G.L. c.30, §39M.

Attention is directed to the minimum wage rates to be paid as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development and the weekly payroll record submittal requirements under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 through 27D inclusive.

Selection of the contractor will be based upon bidder qualifications, including evidence of past performance in similar projects, and bid price. The contract will be awarded to the bidder deemed by the awarding authority to be the lowest responsible and eligible bidder.

The bidder agrees that its bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of 30 days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids.

The Town reserves the right to waive any informalities, to accept or reject, in whole or in part any or all bids, or take whatever other action may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

By: R. Eric Slagle
Town Manager

250492 5/15/25

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Ground Lease of Municipal Real Estate For Wireless Communications Facilities

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30B, § 16, the Town of Tewksbury is soliciting sealed proposals for a ground lease for a portion of Town-owned land located at 2342 Main Street, Tax Map 95, Lot 99, for the purpose of owning, permitting, erecting, operating, and maintaining one wireless communications tower facility and related equipment for a term of up to twenty (20) years, with the initial term of ten (10) years, plus two (2), five year renewal terms that auto renew by mutual consent.

An RFP Package containing information relative to the submission requirements is available at the Town Manager's office located at 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876. Please contact Steve Sadwick at 978-640-4300 or ssadwick@tewksbury-ma.gov.

Proposals must be submitted by June 16, 2025 at 1:00 PM.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **June 2, 2025 at 7:05 P.M.** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **McGovern Hyundai on behalf of Father Coppens Bldg Assn** for a Special Permit under Section 6.1.6.A of the Zoning Bylaw for a remote parking lot as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at **2070 Main Street,** Assessor's Map 84, Lot 41, zoned South Village Business and Flood Plain Overlay.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman

250502 5/15,22/25

Lowell Folk Festival loses federal funding

By HEATHER BURNS
News Correspondent

LOWELL — It seems that the Merrimack Valley area is once again being affected by recent budget cuts from the Trump administration, this time in regards to a popular, annual community event.

On Friday, May 3, 2025, the Trump administration announced a proposal to eliminate the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) from the federal budget.

The National Endowment for the Arts is an independent agency of the U.S. federal government that offers support and funding for projects exhibiting artistic excellence.

National Public Radio reported that within hours of this proposal, hundreds of art groups across the U.S. received emails notifying them of the withdrawal and termination of NEA federal grants.

Among those affected were the organizers of the annual Lowell Folk Festival.

The Lowell Festival Foundation is a non-profit 501 organization that hosts the Lowell Folk Festival, one of the largest, free folk festivals in the country.

According to the Lowell Folk Festival Facebook page, the email from the NEA informed the organization that the $20,000 grant for the support of this summer's Folk Festival has been withdrawn.

Also in this social media post, organizers of the Folk Festival stated, "the NEA has been a valued partner for many years, and this change, while not unique to us, comes just as the cost of producing the festival continues to rise sharply."

Other organizations that have been affected by grant cuts and withdrawals include the Berkeley Repertory Theater, Central Park Summer Stage, and the Chicago area non-profit arts education program, Open Studio Project.

This summer marks the 38th year of the Lowell Folk Festival.

This event offers a weekend-long celebration of heritage inspired music, foods and traditions that fosters a community spirit and is free and welcoming to all.

The 2025 event is set to take place on July 25 through 27, and organizers remain committed to moving forward with the festival as planned.

Typically, 75% of the production costs are funded by grants, sponsorships and individual donations.

To ensure this year's celebration can continue as planned, organizers are asking for the public's support with a tax-deductible donation.

For more information on how to become an individual or business sponsor of the 2025 Lowell Folk Festival, visit *http://lowellfolkfestival.org/pages/donate*.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS

INVITATION FOR BIDS

New Chain Link Fencing at Sean Collier Playground at Silver Lake

Sealed bids for furnishing and installing the following item: **New Chain Link Fencing at Sean Collier Playground at Silver Lake** will be received at the Office of the Town Manager, Wilmington Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887 until the time specified below at which time the bids will be opened and read remotely as described in the bid specifications package.

Bid Specifications may be downloaded at the Town's website:
https://www.wilmingtonma.gov/purchasing-department
Bid opening will be held on:
Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

If the contract awarded is more than $25,000, the winning bidder shall supply a payment bond and performance bond in the amount of 50% of the total bid within 10 days of the bid award. Payment and Performance bonds must be issued by a surety that is qualified to do business under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and satisfactory to the Town of Wilmington.

All bids for this project are subject to applicable public bidding laws of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to G.L. c.30, §39M.

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The Town reserves the right to waive any informalities, to accept or reject, in whole or in part any or all bids, or take whatever other action may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

By: R. Eric Slagle
Town Manager

250508 5/15/25

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
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Middlesex Probate
and Family Court
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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI25P2217EA

Estate of:
Bettina Harman Ault
Also known as:
Bettina Ault
Date of Death: 11/12/2024

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **S/A – Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Vesta Lynn Minton of Cordova TN** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Vesta Lynn Minton of Cordova TN** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/29/2025.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION UNDER
THE MASSACHUSETTS
UNIFORM PROBATE
CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.

Date: May 02, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

250528 5/15/25

FUNDS FROM PAGE 1

Town manager recognizes need for careful spending

library air conditioner units, accessibility projects, and school computer replacements and camera improvements.

Resident Geoff Howlett shared concern with the proposed use of free cash. He asked how this year's spending compares to that of previous years.

Slagle replied that the town historically funds projects through free cash. He stated that the town's current free cash is around $42 million, and everything spent on the town hall and senior center projects in previous years had been recouped.

"I agree we need to be careful about spending it," he continued. "My goal is to maintain free cash similar to what we've historically maintained."

Slagle stated that the town's free cash comes from new growth such as additional residents paying taxes, unspent appropriated budget funds, excise taxes, and things of this nature.

As for spending, he said that they will spend the money that is there already, and that if they don't make up all of what's spent from free cash this year, they would adjust next year's free cash proposals.

After this, **article 12** proposed the creation of a revolving fund for the Wilmington High School fields with a spending limit of $25,000.

John Tothe asked if the town was contributing the money as part of this article, but Slagle answered that the fund would be filled by payments for the use of fields.

Article 13 sought to appropriate over $3 million for the operation of the DPW Sewer Division Enterprise. Finance Director Stephanie Frontiera confirmed the current water department balance of over $600,000 and sewer balance of approximately $4,000.

A million dollars was approved to be deposited into the Other Post Employment Benefits Trust Fund per **article 14**, and $3 million transferred to the capital stabilization fund through **article 15**.

Residents approved the raising of $1.5 million from the tax levy and general revenues to contribute to the retirement stabilization fund. Slagle explained that while the town has previously submitted additional retirement payments, they're now moving money into a fund to use to pay down what they owe at their control.

A motion was made to pass over **article 17**, to transfer money among line items, and this was approved.

Article 19 was approved to appropriate $1.2 million for the Industrial Way sewer pump station.

The motion for **article 21** proposed to take $772,480 from free cash to supplement the amount appropriated under **Article 40** of the 2023 annual Town Meeting for the acquiring of property at 333 Andover St. Town Moderator Jonathan Eaton clarified that this would bring the total appropriation for this property to $4,571,178.

Eaton also stated that the Finance Committee voted at their meeting to pass over this article as the town didn't have the proposed number at that time in March.

Kevin MacDonald suggested that this property could cost the town as much as $30 million, and this would not be enough money. He also wanted to see eminent domain removed as one of the actions that the Select Board could take to obtain the property.

Mark Reich of KP|Law stated that the eminent domain was already authorized by resident vote in 2023, and this was just a vote for additional funds.

The meeting was then called to a brief recess, and the vote on **article 21** was taken up and approved directly after that.

New language in Accessory Dwelling Unit bylaw will match state law

ADU FROM PAGE 1

The proposed new language would match what the state has enacted by eliminating the current deed restriction in the bylaw and the requirement of attached only and setting an exception to the one parking lot requirement within a half-mile of the train station. The state law included a maximum of 950 square feet, but the town could choose to allow a larger maximum as it is less restrictive than the state law — and the current bylaw allows a maximum of 1,250 square feet.

Gingrich shared that the board had discussed the size limit and decided to keep the size limit allowed today.

Gingrich detailed other restrictions such as meeting Title 5 requirements and complying with building and wetlands setbacks. She added that voting against this bylaw change could create a situation where one property can have two accessory dwelling units, one under the state's option and one under the town's, as the state law and the town bylaw restrictions differ.

Select Board member Lilia Maselli asked if this would allow a new ADU on properties where there is already an existing ADU. Gingrich answered that this would allow only one ADU per lot, so properties with existing accessory dwelling units could not create another.

Frank West asked if the zoning of the lot could affect the allowed number of ADUs. Gingrich replied that the rule would state that one ADU is allowed per lot, no matter what it is zoned.

Kerry Philips wondered if this would eliminate deed restriction requirements on existing units. Gingrich said that no existing ADU could be deed restricted or require owner occupancy.

Jacob Gearwar stated that he could now support the article with the amendment.

Another resident thanked the Planning Board for going back and preparing the amendment.

The vote for this article was unanimously in favor.

Article 29 next proposed that the town move to amend the zoning bylaw to prohibit short-term rentals.

Planning Board member Terence Boland explained in his motion that this would also state that a lease for less than 31 days would not be considered a short-term rental.

Gingrich said that the current bylaw prohibits short-term rental use already, but this language would make the prohibition clearer. She stipulated that this would be targeting Airbnb or similar uses — not hotels, motels, or bed and breakfasts. If the measure were not approved, she explained that this use would still be prohibited, it's just that the language in the bylaw would remain confusing.

She also said that the exception to the definition of short-term rentals would target leasing while selling a home.

Eaton again stated that the Finance Committee had recommended disapproval of this article. Manganelli shared that they were split in their vote for the recommendation: three in favor of approving and four against.

Joe Lavino shared that he voted against the recommendation as a Finance Committee member as he thought that clarity should come through a court decision.

With seven votes against the article and 79 in favor, the article passed.

McDermott shocked and humbled to receive 'Good Guy' award

GOOD FROM PAGE 1

seemed very convincing and believable to McDermott.

Upon realizing the true reason for Friday night's party, McDermott was shocked and humbled.

"The Good Guys are a very illustrious group, and I am still in disbelief that they have allowed me to join them," said McDermott.

McDemott, days later, is still having a hard time believing she was chosen for this honor.

She is thankful to have worked with so many hard working people throughout her time in Wilmington, most recently working with the dedicated members of the Friends EBoard, who McDemott notes are a group that really make things happen.

As of her own efforts while serving the Town of Wilmington, McDermott said, "I am privileged to be able to contribute where I can."

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Hearing continued again

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the City Council voted unanimously to continue the nuisance proceedings until June 17.

Back in November, the City Council opened the proceedings against the Wilmington landlord at the urging of Building Commissioner Thomas Quinn, who documented a series of zoning and public safety complaints regarding excessive trash being strewn about the property and related rodent activity, the parking of a tractor-trailer in the driveway, and people sleeping or hanging out in abandoned vehicles.

A number of neighborhood residents also used the initial public hearing to recount issues involving unruly house parties and domestic squabbles that required police interventions, suspicious interactions between visitors to the house that appeared to be drug related, and safety issues involving unsupervised children playing in the street.

Since that time, McLaughlin has taken various steps to redress the situation, including removing a half-filled above-ground pool from the back yard, cleaning up trash and debris that had pilled up on the property, repairing a dilapidated stairwell to a rear porch, and making arrangements to have an unregistered vehicle towed away.

The Wilmington resident has also purchased new trash receptacles in an attempt to discourage rodent activity and agreed earlier this year to let the building commissioner inspect the house.

Typically, the council uses its public nuisance powers to leverage landlords into making improvements on rundown properties.

In most circumstances, the threat of a formal public nuisance declaration is enough to convince property owners to conduct maintenance and repairs.

However, if attempts at mediation fail, the City Council retains the authority to order cleanup operations, and it has in limited circumstances even ordered entire buildings razed.

Wilmington Minutemen elect officers

Wilmington Minutemen recently had their annual election of officers at Wilmington Town Museum. This year was special with the 250th anniversary of the first battles of the Revolutionary War as well as the 250th of the original Wilmington which was founded in March, 1775. To make the event special, several prior Minutemen captains were on hand. Pictured here are: Michael Shine, Marshall Bishop, Stu Neilson, Paul Nett, Bill Hitchcock, and current Captain Frank West. In addition, elected were Lt. Hugh McNeil, Company Sgt Keith Major, Adj Sgt Mary Peacock, and Company Chaplain JD Spanks. Wilmington Minutemen are always looking for new members. Please call Capt. Frank West 978-658-1754 if you have questions. (Photo: Frank West Jr)

New language will replace the current Flood Plain District Section

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plain district. She added that the town periodically needs to update the bylaw with new maps or wording. This new language would replace the current Flood Plain District Section in a manner compliant with FEMA requirements.

Since they already had to change the bylaw language, Gingrich explained that they also took the opportunity to change the process for flood plain permit approval. The current language requires review and approval from both the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Conservation Commission for any work in the flood plain, also requiring publications, permits, and notices to abutters for each hearing.

The change would allow an administrative permit through the Building Department with review from the Board of Health, Conservation Commission, and Engineering Department along with the Conservation Commission review.

The vote in favor of this article was unanimous.

The next zoning article proposed to amend the zoning bylaw so that 306 Main St. would be zoned general business instead of residential-20.

Attorney Mike Newhouse stated that the owner at 306 Main St., Dr. Scott Horning, had practiced dentistry on this property since the early 1970s. However, the property remained zoned R-20 since 1955. He mentioned that there were residential homes to the east of this location, but the rest of Route 38 was zoned general business on both sides.

Newhouse shared that his client wanted to lease or sell the property, and that it would conceivably be used in a similar way. The idea of the zoning would be to introduce more use options for prospective tenants or purchasers.

Stephen Turner asked whether neighborhood business could be used here instead, referencing a nearby property currently used as a salon with neighborhood business zoning. Newhouse described that the salon property was more of an anomaly, as it was rezoned in anticipation of a bank relocating there.

He theorized that general business makes the most sense considering the zoning of the nearby properties. He also suggested that certain "intense" uses such as a general service restaurant couldn't fit in this location.

Roberta Allan asked if the change of zoning would affect the use of entrances and exits from this property onto Clark Street and Main Street. Newhouse maintained that there would likely be no changes to the site, but if there were, they would be subject to site plan review by the Planning Board.

Another resident asked if they asked the opinions of residential abutters. Newhouse provided that the resident directly adjacent to 306 Main St. signed the warrant article petition.

Joe Jackson asked about the zoning history of the property. Newhouse answered that it was zoned light industrial in 1932 and then residential in 1955, but it had a history of commercial use and no record of any other type of use.

The vote in favor of this article passed with 73 votes in favor and 9 votes against.

Lastly, **Article** 25 proposed amending language in the town's inhabitant bylaw around the order of related articles at town meeting.

Town Manager Eric Slagle described that the existing language includes an exception to random draw for certain articles to be voted upon in sequence whereby passage of the second is dependent upon passage of the second article. He stated that this exception is very narrow, recalling the December special Town Meeting where the articles unfortunately came up in poor order as a result of random draw.

This new language proposes that the moderator can determine that the articles are reasonably related and therefore take up the articles together once one is drawn by random draw.

This article was also approved unanimously.

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